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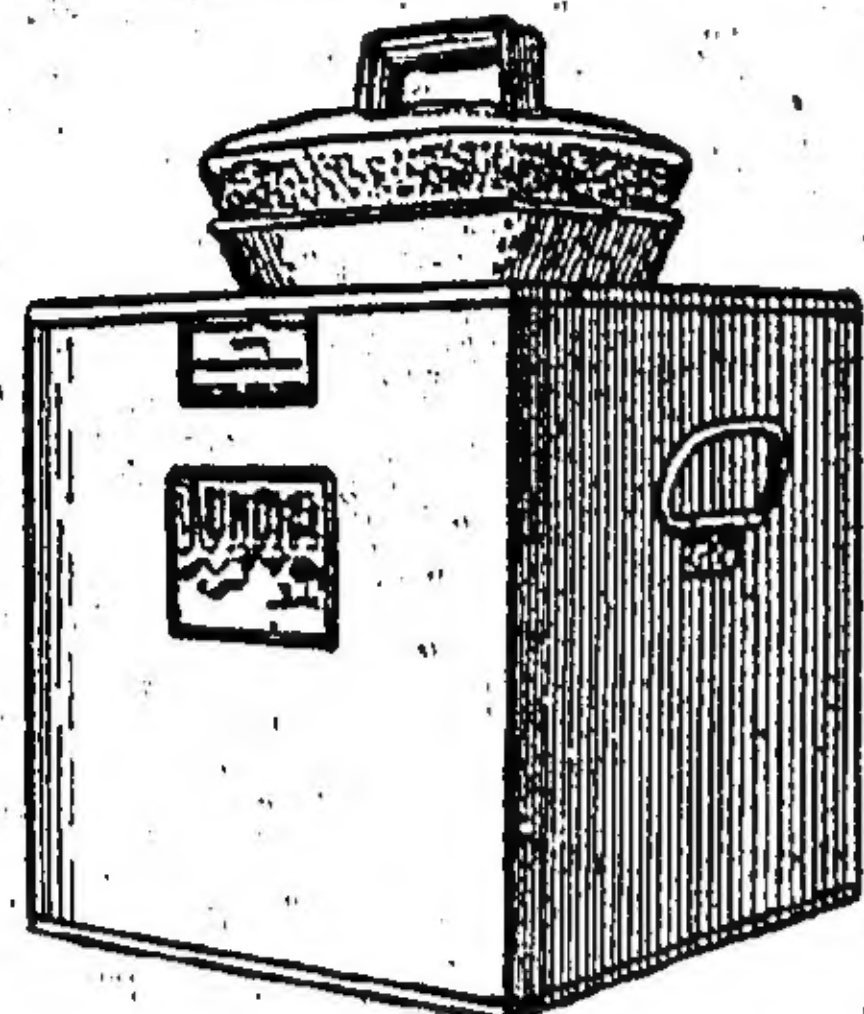
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## TRACING MAN'S DESCENT FROM WORMS AND REPTILES.

AMERICAN PROFESSOR'S SUBTLE REASONING.

REMARKABLE THEORY CONCERNING OUR SHARK-LIKE ANCESTORS.

HUMAN FACES—PAST AND PRESENT.

The eye, ear, nose, teeth, temples, jaws and other human features are traced to their beginnings in lower animals, reptiles, fish, and worms in a revised story of the descent of man made public by Dr. William K. Gregory, professor of vertebrate paleontology at Columbia University and curator of ichthyology and comparative anatomy at the American Museum of Natural History.

The shark was a most important ancestor a few hundred million years ago, Dr. Gregory contends, because it held most of the fundamental copyrights on the human face and skull. Inheritors of the shark's eye, including man, have made only minor improvements and adaptations, according to the scientist.

### Sensitivity of Protoplasm.

The shark, however, is a comparatively modern forefather, in the estimate of Dr. Gregory, who found that flatworms had the rudiments of eyes in certain light-sensitive cells ages before the sharks developed. Still further back, in the molecular stages of our genealogy, the human eyes owe their beginnings to the sensitivity of protoplasm both to the injurious and the beneficial effects of light.

Dr. Gregory's conclusions, based on researches on the problem of human descent since Darwin, and especially within the last fifteen years, are told in "Our Face From Fish to Man," published by G. P. Putnam's Sons. The harvest of facts gathered from a world-wide study of fossils, from embryology and by investigations of living forms from the most primitive to the highest, are used by Dr. Gregory in working out the details of the evolution of man.

The first ancestor known to have had a physiognomy of any kind is the Shipper Animalcule, "whose face consists only of a gash in the side of its moon-like body." Some links in the chain of inheritance are admitted by Dr. Gregory to be obscure. One scientist says, for example, the race owes its backbone to early members of the scorpion and spider family, while others trace the line back to the flatworm, a specialized form of jelly-fish.

The rocks of Norway and Spitzbergen contain fossils of a primitive eel which seems to have invented the backbone and handed it down to the forerunners of the dog-fish and shark.

### Noses As Food Finders.

"Always remembering that the face is merely the food-detecting and food-trapping mask in front of the brain, we find in the shark's apparently simple face a truly marvellous assemblage of instruments of precision," said Dr. Gregory. He added that noses were first created "to lead out sharklike ancestors straight to the feast" and that, testifying to the sea life of our progenitors, "even to this day, colors cannot reach us except in water vapor."

"Even the most imposing human faces are but made-over fish traps, concealed behind a smiling mask, but still set with sharp teeth in herited from ferocious pre-mammalian forbears."

The scientist next claimed kin with the upper Devonian air-breathing, lobe-finned fish, which is a descendant of one of the early sharks. Every one of the twenty-eight skull bones possessed by human beings and other animals have been inherited in an unbroken succession from air-breathing fish, according to Dr. Gregory.

Because of their power to take oxygen from the air, these fish were able to live in mud and swamps, while their children in the evolutionary series became amphibians of a half-fish, half-reptile type, the fossil remains of which are found in coal deposits.

### Coal Age Data Revealed.

After a further analysis of the fossils, which rank as family papers in this genealogical work, the writer continued:

"The presence of fossilized gilled young of amphibians in the Coal Ages shows that this water-breeding habit dates back very early in geological times and is in harmony with the origin of amphibians from swamp-living fishes. A great and revolutionary advance occurred when some daring amphibian succeeded in raising eggs entirely on dry land, for thus arose the reptilian grade of organization, and with it came the possibility of all higher forms of life, including man."

A progressive, reptile named *Mycterosaurus* is credited with originating the temple, or temporal fossa, of the human skull. Later a primitive mammal-like reptile, which also stands in the line of human succession, is credited with originating the one-piece jaw, replacing a complicated structure, Dr. Gregory continued.

"The origin of the mammals is one of the most dramatic incidents in the whole story of human transformation from fish to man. The central problems set for the mammal-like reptiles were to speed up all their vital processes and to maintain them at a comparatively high level; also to resist the extreme changes of temperature of the harsh, variable climates then prevalent, when periods of glaciation alternated with tropical heat."

### Body Fluids.

"Means had to be found to insulate the body in slowly conducting substances so as to defy the cold; on the other hand, to enable the body to cool itself when overheated. Reptiles have this power to a limited degree, but it is greatly enhanced in the mammals. For this purpose many 'basic patterns' had to be worked out in the heat-conserving organs, in the circulation of body fluids, in the breathing organs."

"The locomotor machinery was vastly improved, the brain and nervous system had to keep pace with the general advance, and a new and much less wasteful method of reproduction had to be perfected."

"Chief among the heat-retaining structures is the hair, which seems to have arisen from small tactile outgrowths of the skin. These at first grew out between the scales and later supplanted them. We do not know exactly when this sub-

stitution took place, as the skin of soft-skinned animals is very rarely, if ever fossilized.

### Facial Muscles Formed.

"Even as in the most primitive of living mammals the hard, bony mask of the face had already begun to sink beneath the surface and a more or less pliable skin had been developed. But the most remarkable fact is that as the bony mask sank beneath the surface the facial muscles, so characteristic of mammals among vertebrates, came into being."

"Our first mammal ancestors, according to the remains of the early reptile ages, were probably about the size of a mouse; at least, most of the mammalian remains of this period were that size. The genealogical tree becomes a little confused in the early mammal period, according to Dr. Gregory, because some believe that our ancestor of this period was a close relative of the egg-laying duck-billed platypus, while others believe that his closest kindred was the primitive marsupial, or pouched animal, of which the kangaroo is the most conspicuous specimen today."

"The scientist is back on surer ground, according to Dr. Gregory, in placing next in the order of human descent a certain small long-nosed, mammal of insectivorous habits. This ancestor had for a son, in the Darwinian sense, an animal with large eyes and considerable brain capacity, which hopped about the trees. This animal begat *Notharctus*, which begat a low-grade monkey, which begat the higher apes, which brings the family down to yesterday, geologically speaking."

### Slender Jaws.

"But what of the human face a million years from now—a short period, compared with its entire history? If present tendencies continue unchecked the white people of those days will for the most part have lost all of their four wisdom teeth, so that their total number of teeth will be twenty-eight."

"This will tend to make their jaws somewhat slender. If they no longer take meat and vegetables, but prepared extracts, as food, their jaw muscles and jaws may be further weakened. Their brain capacity on the average may be considerably longer."

"Even under the operation of restrictive 'eugenic' principles there may be at least as great a diversity in normal white faces then as there is today. While some of those people might look strange to us, others would remind us at least of certain types we had seen in our times."

"In short, the only conservative prediction to make is that the people 1,000,000 years from now may be far less unlike ourselves than we had at first imagined. But, as the determination of the dominant type of human face in the remote future will depend partly upon unpredictable economic and political movements and upon the success in spreading and enforcing eugenic principles, prophecy of any kind is obviously rash."

## Diary of Coming Events.

**To-day (April 23.)**  
St. George's Day.  
Ceremony at the Cenotaph, 11 a.m.  
"Retreat" sounded by 1st Bn. Somerset L.I., Cricket Club ground, 5.30 p.m.  
St. George's Society "At Home," Lee Theatre, 8 p.m.  
H.K.S.R.A. Sports, The Royal Naval Officers' Sports ground.  
Mui Fa Dancing Party, Po Hing Theatre, Yaumatei, 3 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.  
Queen's Theatre: "Dry Martini."  
World Theatre: "Rose Marie."  
Star Theatre: "The Chorus Lady" at 5.30 p.m.  
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.  
Dinner Dance: Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

**European Mails:—Outward:**  
Europe *via* Marseilles (Chenonceaux), 1.30 p.m.; Europe *via* Siberia (D'Aragnon), 1.30 p.m.  
**Wednesday (April 24.)**  
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd. Extraordinary general meeting, Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Offices, 11 a.m.  
Mui Fa Dancing Party, Po Hing Theatre, Yaumatei, 3 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.  
Italian Opera Company: "Il Trovatore," Star Theatre, 9.15 p.m.  
Queen's Theatre: "Dry Martini."  
World Theatre: "The Big City."  
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**Thursday (April 25.)**  
Duke of Gloucester arrives per P. & O. Morea, Landing Queen's Pier.  
Addresses of Welcome to H.R.H., Theatre Royal, 11 a.m.  
Polo: H.K. Polo Club Ground, 4.45 p.m.  
Japanese Fireworks Display for H.R.H. evening.  
Mui Fa Dancing Party, Po Hing Theatre, Yaumatei, 3 p.m. and 8.30 p.m.  
Italian Opera Co.: "Rigoletto," Star Theatre, 8.15 p.m.  
Queen's "The Big City."  
World Theatre: "Love Hungry."  
Star Theatre: "Body and Soul," 6.30 p.m.  
Carpi's Italian Opera Company "Il Trovatore," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

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## LILYBET'S BIRTHDAY

LONDON'S POPULAR PRINCESS.

London, April 20 (U.P.). "Lilybet," as she calls herself, was a very important young person to-day. She is now three years old.

As "Lilybet" is really Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York, and grandchild of the King and Queen, she will have some excuse for feeling important, even if she does not realise so.

Probably no child has ever received as many birthday presents as the little Princess. They have poured in from all over the world, for she is, at least, the "Empire's sweetheart."

An Important Young Lady.

On her last two birthdays Elizabeth was not old enough to know what all the fuss was about. This year, however, she has discovered that she is a "Princess," and although she is not quite sure what that means, she does know that it is a pass-word in her family circle for getting what she wants.

The story is told that quite recently she wanted to enter a room usually forbidden her. She toddled up to the door and knocked.

"Who is there?" asked someone from within.

"Lilybet, the Princess," she replied in an important little voice, and she was at once admitted.

Among all the toys and dolls which she received as presents none, probably, were anticipated more by the Princess than that of her uncle, the Prince of Wales.

"Uncle David" and "Lilybet" are the greatest of pals. She has him completely under her tiny thumb, and orders him about with all the assurance of the queen she may one day become.

Playing With The Prince.

Their favourite game is "horses," and it is no uncommon sight to see the heir to the British throne with his hair ruffled, his face dusty, crawling around the floor on his hands and knees, with his delighted niece on his back.

The Princess has an especially soft spot in her heart for "gams" and "camps." It is probable that she will be unable to visit the King and Queen as she has done on the two previous occasions, for the King is still recovering from his illness at Bognor; but there is no doubt that their presents would be on the nursery breakfast table.

There was very little alteration in the strict routine of the baby Princess' life. She probably spent a little longer time with her parents in the morning to receive their congratulations and presents, and she stayed up a little longer in the evening to act as hostess at her birthday party, which was attended by her first cousins, the two small sons of Princess Mary, Master Ramsay, the son of Lady Patricia Ramsay, the Earl of Macduff, son of Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught, and several others. Her daily ride in the park in the afternoon was the occasion for the people to express their affection.

Her Daily Drives.

Not a day passes but half a dozen or so people, mostly women, wait to see the Princess go for her drive from her father's house in Piccadilly.

Princess Elizabeth is already a leader of fashion. It always used to be that tiny girls were dressed in white or pink or blue. No mother dreamed of using yellow until the Duchess of York set the fashion. Nowadays Princess Elizabeth wears clothes of delicate yellow tones on nine days out of ten, and mothers of all degrees are following the colour fashion with their own baby girls.

In the shops the same tendency is noticeable, and yellow has all its own way in the baby departments. Instead of the old-time white-buff coats and bunnies tied with ribbons of blue or pink, there is now an assortment of "baby beds" decked with pale yellow silk and muslin and soft ribbon bows. Three baby departments of famous London stores proved to be "all yellow," and sales people testified to the new popularity of the colour.

"A couple of years ago, if anyone wanted yellow things for a baby, we should have had to order them specially, but now yellow is by far the most popular colour we sell," one saleswoman declared.

Every mother wants some little yellow frocks for her baby girl, and many of them copy the primrose bonnets which Princess Elizabeth often wears.

**U.S. NEWSPAPER MEN COMING TO CHINA.**

New York, April 11.—A party of 11 representatives of as many American newspapers will sail April 24 from San Francisco for a three months tour of China, Japan and Korea. It was announced to-day by Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

The tour will be made under the auspices of the Endowment fund and with the co-operation of steamship and railway companies of the Orient.

## PRESS PEEVED WITH LINDBERGH.

IRRITATION AT BEHAVIOUR OF CROWDS.

NEWSPAPER MEN AND LACK OF CEREMONY.

Washington, April 13.—Colonel Lindbergh's growing irritation at the attentions of his admirers brought forth an editorial of friendly criticism in the *Washington Daily News* to-day.

The editorial called the aviator to task for his action at the air field here in starting his plane when it was surrounded by a group of admiring people including many women and children and a number of newspaper correspondents, all of whom were splashed with muddy water as Lindbergh's machine bumped across the field to his take-off for New York.

Scores of people gathered about the Colonel's machine during his brief stay here, according to the newspaper, and were treated brusquely by the famous flyer, who was obviously irritated at the popular curiosity.

Lindbergh took off unceremoniously, the newspaper says, without any courtesy towards the scores who had gathered with nothing but the best of wishes for his safety.

Complaints to Newspaper.

"Hundreds of our subscribers telephoned this newspaper after the incident," the newspaper said, "and demanded to know what we were going to do about it. We do not propose to scold Colonel Lindbergh, who has suffered much from the tremendous personal popularity brought him by his aerial exploits. We prefer to talk quietly with this famous American. In spirit we would like to take him aside and preach him a little sermon on the text that 'One Must Rejoice One's Self to Life as It is.'"

The newspaper goes on to say that it hopes its sermon may guide the youthful flyer in his course and "prepare him for that inevitable day when his popularity will be turned to unpopularity."

The earlier conduct of the flyer has irritated newspapermen for a long time but press criticism has been avoided in the past, editors apparently realizing Lindbergh's atypical has made his great popularity with the masses most unpleasant for him.

Recent incidents, however, have been such that to-day's editorial was not unexpected. Colonel Lindbergh has refused to make any statement whatever to newspapermen since his engagement to Miss Anne Morrow was announced and irritated them particularly this week as Brownsville, Texas, when he arrived there after being missing for 18 hours, and refused to tell anything about his flight from Mexico City.

**MR. MELLON UNDER INVESTIGATION.**

OUTSIDE INTERESTS TO BE INQUIRED INTO.

Washington, April 11.—Senator George W. Morris, Republican, of McCook, Nebraska, announced to-day that the judiciary committee of the upper house will meet on Monday to investigate the right of Mr. Andrew Mellon, the Secretary of the Treasury, to hold a portfolio in the Hoover Cabinet without having been "confirmed" by the Senate.

The committee also will investigate Mr. Mellon's financial and industrial holdings with a view to determining whether they are such that they might influence his official actions.

Mr. Mellon, it will be recalled, holds a hold-over appointment from the Coolidge Cabinet. His name was not submitted to the Senate with those of the other Cabinet members for approval, President Hoover asserting such action was not necessary since the senate previously had approved Mr. Mellon's name.

**BRITISH CREDITS AND SOVIET AIR SERVICE.**

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Moscow, April 18.—The chief of the Soviet Air Force is reported to have informed the members of the British industrial delegation that the Soviet industry is fully able to cover the demands of the country's air services and that the Soviet Government therefore is not interested in British credits for this industry.

**SHEEP INDUSTRY IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.**

Vancouver, B.C.—A gratifying development in the sheep industry of British Columbia was revealed at the annual meeting of the British Columbia Wool Growers Association here.

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**ANTARCTIC DISPUTE.**

BRITAIN'S CLAIMS VERSUS BYRD'S.

DIPLOMATIC CONTROVERSY.

Washington, April 15.—A diplomatic controversy over the vast Antarctic continent and its potential value for aviation bases seems threatened as the result of a report that the State Department at Washington has prepared a Note protesting against British claims there.

The Note is said by the *New York Herald-Tribune* to be a reply to one from the British Embassy drawing attention to the fact that Commander Byrd's recent explorations by air in the Antarctic was made over British territory, and virtually claiming sovereignty over five million square miles of the South Polar region, part of which is already under the administration of the Government of Australia.

Commander Byrd made two important discoveries in a hitherto unexplored region which he claimed was southward of the British territory. He named the areas "Rockefeller Range" and "Mark Byrd Land," and officially claimed them for the United States.

**FAMINE IN RUANDA.**

Brussels, April 12.—Belgian press reports state that the famine in the Belgian mandated territory of Ruanda to the North of Lake Tanganyika, still rages unabated. In spite of the measures taken by the Belgian Government, the natives are dying by the thousands, the only hope for an improvement of this dangerous situation lying in the expected arrival of American maize.

**THE AUTHORITY OF THE BIBLE.**

A DANGEROUS THEORY.

DR. PARSONS AND "HIGHER CRITICISM."

Speaking on "The Authority of the Bible" at St. Ann's Church, Manchester, the Bishop of Middleton (Dr. R. G. Parsons) said that the theory of the Bible as an infallible book had led to a number of superstitions and absurdities, to endless divisions, bitterness, and all sorts of disappointments, and eventually to a great reaction.

He thought it was not too much to say that the age of infallibilities was over. Mankind was again on the march, in religion as in other matters. So much had been claimed for the Bible that when it did not fulfil the unjustifiable claims made on its behalf, too little notice was taken of it, and this, he thought, would be disastrous for the healthiness of their religious life unless they could correct it.

To-day, Dr. Parsons continued, he was always finding otherwise well-instructed people strangely ignorant of some of the most famous passages in the New Testament. And this was true, not only of the Bible. The Greek and Latin classics were suffering a similar neglect. It was a feature of the general mentality of our age.

Discussing what had been described as "higher criticism," Dr. Parsons said that nothing was further from the truth than the belief that Biblical critics were people who were trying to find fault with the Bible. Criticism was merely a scientific effort to appraise facts—a perfectly reverent truth-seeking process, carried out with the greatest care.

**AMOY BUILDING AVIATION FIELD.**

Construction of an aviation field in the outskirts of Amoy is progressing rapidly under the auspices of the local Naval Headquarters, it being expected that the field will be ready for the landing and taking off of aeroplanes by the end of May. Of the four aeroplanes ordered from abroad, two have already arrived. The Chinese aviator, Chen Wen Lien, is bringing one of the other two, which is named "Amoy," on a transcontinental flight from Germany.

est fidelity by numbers of self-effacing men in face of a great deal of hostility and misrepresentation. And these were by no means the people who were foremost in saying that the Bible was done for. Anyone, for example, who had studied the one-volume commentary on quite definitely critical lines edited by Professor Peake, of the University of Manchester, would surely, after spending some time studying the Bible with the aid of such a book, realise that the Bible meant more and not less to him as the result. It became more credible and reasonable and a truer guide to life; what was needed was that people should get rid of their prejudices and pre-conceptions.

The reason why critics still said that the Bible was the most valuable collection of literature the world possessed was because we could view, as nowhere else in literature, the religious education of a particular section of mankind, to whom was revealed the sublimest conception of God mankind had ever known. It was because the Bible was pre-eminently the book about God as He was, that it remained the centre of interest for those who cared about the things that really mattered.

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## SPORT AND ATHLETICS.

### FOOTBALL AND POLITICS.

Considerable surprise was expressed in Dutch sporting circles at the decision of the Belgian and Netherlands Football Associations to cancel both the Belgio-Dutch match at Antwerp, and the game between Antwerp and Rotterdam on the ground that hostile political demonstrations might result from the political tension between the two countries over the Scheldt question.

### FREE RACKETS FOR TENNIS PLAYERS.

An attempt is to be made to stop the practice of supplying lawn tennis tournament players with rackets and tennis balls, either free or at reduced rates. The Sports Retailers' Association and the Incorporated Association of Retail Distributors at a joint meeting decided to take action.

"Some players have sold rackets obtained in this way to their friends," said an official. A representative of Messrs. Slazengers stated that the immediate effect would be a reduction of two shillings a dozen in the price of tennis balls.

### COUNTY CAPTAINS.

P. G. H. Fender, who has captained the Surrey county cricket team since 1920, will again lead the side this summer. D. R. Jardine will be vice-captain. Surrey hope to have all the amateurs and professionals who played for them last summer once more available. Peach, who joined the Oval ground staff in 1919, has been allotted the match against Yorkshire at the Oval on August 24 as his benefit.

Captain W. A. Worsley has again accepted the captaincy of the Yorkshire County Cricket Club. The county will have the assistance of all last year's regular players.

### GIPTSY DANIELS LOSES.

Gipsy Daniels, the famous cruiser-weight, lost on points to Franz Diener, Phil Scott's conqueror, who is a former German heavy-weight champion, at the Anglo-German boxing meeting at the Berlin Sports Palace.

Young Spiers, of England, drew with Jacob Domingoier (Germany).

Oxford University won by four events to three in the annual boxing contests against Cambridge University, held at Oxford.

### SPORTS FOR WOMEN.

The questions involved by young women in schools and colleges turn to competitive athletics and sports are arousing serious consideration by trainers who must bear in mind the physiological differences between boys and girls.

One of the problems associated with athletics for women that have given greatest concern to the experts who have studied the subject is the tendency of these women toward greater masculinity.

Already the feminist movement and the entrance of women into business life and into activities formerly considered wholly masculine have tended toward the development of masculine qualities.

It is the belief of sports associations that physical training and athletics should not accentuate masculine qualities, but should be planned rather to help to make the girl and woman athlete better fitted for womanhood and motherhood.

Sports and athletics, all authorities agree, should be planned to develop feminine qualities, including gracefulness in speech, dress and character.

Swimming is one of the first sports to be indulged in by women, and is considered by most authorities perhaps the best of sports for them. It aids in developing both the heart and the lungs. Champion swimmers among women were not found to possess hearts larger than did women who had not indulged in this activity.

All authorities are agreed that it is of the greatest importance that women be individualised in the selection of athletics and sports, since they differ greatly in their body structure and in their temperaments.

Because of the special body structure of women, jumping activities, involving severe strain on the ligaments of the body, are not suited to them. Certainly, pole vaulting, for example, is in no way adapted to women's athletics, and the running broad jump may bring about serious damage to the internal organs.

Rowing as a form of sport is highly recommended to women for its development of the chest and the vital capacity. However, competitive rowing places such a severe strain on the heart and on the tissues generally that serious doubts

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### IS GOLF AN "INSURABLE TRADE"?

Chertsey Bench refused to give a decision on whether assistants to professional golfers were insurable under the Unemployment Act, but left it to the Ministry of Labour to settle the point. The question arose when A. Schofield, formerly golf professional at Chertsey Golf Club, now living at Drill Hall Road, Chertsey, was summoned for failing to pay unemployment contributions respecting his assistant, G. E. Howe. Schofield, in the witness-box, said that when he went as professional to Chertsey Golf Club he was told that unemployment cards were unnecessary, and that assistant professionals had their money refunded because it was an insurable trade. Mr. Buncher, district inspector for the Ministry of Labour, who appeared in support of the summons, stated that Schofield had been informed wrongly. The Bench decided that the Ministry should be asked for a decision, and they adjourned the case for this to be done.

### THREE DAYS ENOUGH.

"If batting alone could have won matches we would have taken a much higher place in the county championship," said Mr. Ludford Docker, the chairman, at the annual meeting of the Warwickshire County Cricket Club.

"I hope that all the county committees," he added, "will impress on their players that the public are sick of slow play, and that they want to see county matches played out and finished in three days."

### 1,713 MILES IN 24 HOURS.

E. A. D. Eldridge, the English driver, completed his attack on the twenty-four hours record for motor-cars with five-litre engines at the Montlhery track. He covered 1,713 miles, thus beating the record of 1,624 miles set up by Andre Boillot in September, 1925, by 89 miles. His average speed for the twenty-four hours was nearly 71½ miles an hour.

have been uttered with regard to the desirability of competitive rowing for women athletes, but there are still plenty of events in which the world's husky women athletes may compete.

## THE WOMAN'S CORNER.

### SHOULD TEARS BE TABOO?

A house where children are constantly crying is an abomination, yet a nursery where tears are taboo is an unnatural place. Many a child starts his recovery from a bad tumble by a hearty cry.

Unless the hurt is very severe, it will be noticed that after a couple of minutes or so the crying generally ceases; that is where control steps in, encouraged by the usual nursery first-aid methods and "a kiss to make it well."



Let the little one learn from earliest days that inconsequent crying for the moon is not tolerated, but do not deny him the right to a hearty cry if he is hurt. The same lesson that teaches him to stop crying when his pain is soothed will gradually impress upon him the fact, as he grows from babyhood into childhood, that unless there is bad pain, tears are unnecessary, and he will learn to take his share of knocks without undue fuss.

Give tears their proper place in childhood, and they will act both as a danger-signal to the mother and a safety-valve to the child.

### GRAPE FRUIT MARMALADE.

Here is a recipe for making that excellent conserve grape fruit marmalade.

You will need one sweet orange, one lemon to each grape fruit, granulated sugar.

Cut the grape fruit in half, remove seeds and hard centres; slice (Continued at foot of next column.)

### LONGER LIFE FOR GLOVES.



Gloves should be well cared for, from the day we buy them until the moment we discard them.

In the first place, buy the very best you can afford, and make sure that you get the correct size. Unless the gloves are expensive ones, there is no redress for a pair that split the first time they are put on.

To put on new gloves properly, fold back the hand part over the fingers. Then insert each finger separately, smoothing the kid well down, and keeping the seams in their proper places. Last, work in the thumb, having the seams down the sides, and then roll back the rest of the glove to its proper place.

### Two Methods.

Glove cleaning is often a very expensive item, but they can be cleaned at home by two methods.

For the dry method, place the gloves flat on a clean paper, and apply a mixture of equal parts of fuller's earth and powdered alum. Leave this on for an hour, and then brush off. Finish by rubbing them well with warm oatmeal or bran.

Chamois gloves should be washed on the hands in lukewarm, soapy water. They should be rinsed in clean soapy water so that they retain their softness. To restore their colour, soak in water in which orange peel has been boiled.

If your wrist is out of proportion to the rest of your hand, choose gauntlet gloves, or those with a small piece of elastic across the wrists.

the fruit and the oranges and lemons finely. To each cupful of the cut-up fruit (grape fruit, oranges and lemons) add two and a half cupfuls of water; let it stand for twenty-four hours, and then boil for thirty minutes. After it has stood for another twenty-four hours, add one cupful of sugar for each cup of fruit, and then boil for one hour.

### AT THE HARDWARE SHOP.

When buying saucepans see that: The lid fits well. If made of cast iron, that they have a good "ring"; a dull note when struck indicates hidden flaws which are apt to reveal themselves at awkward moments.

That handles are round and grooved. It is hard to get a grip on a smooth round handle on a large saucepan, and flat handles hurt the hand and are also awkward to grip.

That in the case of large saucepans there is a little handle opposite the large one for lifting when full.

That in enamel pans there are no flaws, cracks or bubbles. The bottoms should be perfectly smooth; cheap enamel pans are apt to carve at the bottoms.

See that the saucepans balance well; in aluminium saucepans particularly this should be watched, as they are apt to tip over on to the handle when empty, which is annoying, to say the least of it.

That fireproof casseroles ring soundly when tapped. Inquire whether they have been tempered by boiling in hot water and salt. The makers are supposed to do this, but if there is a doubt about it temper them yourself by standing them in a boiler with cold water and a handful or two of salt, and bringing it gradually to the boil. You will then be doubly sure that they will not crack under great heat.

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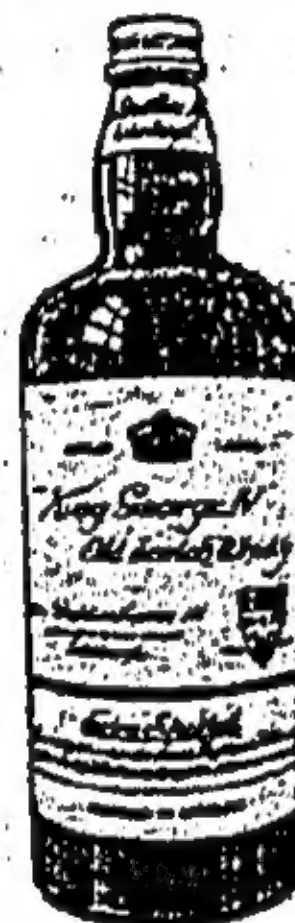


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## GOVERNMENT'S CLAIM FOR \$260,000.

HONG KONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING  
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FRAUDS.

SEQUEL TO CARVALHO YEO CASE.

SPECIAL JURY EMPANELLED.

The civil case opened yesterday in the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan, K.C., G.B.E.), in which the Attorney-General, on behalf of the Hong Kong Government, is suing the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation for the re-crediting of a sum of \$260,407 as a sequel to the Treasury frauds for which Carvalho Yeo is still undergoing a long term of imprisonment.

It is contended by the Government that the cheques were forgeries and, therefore, payment by the bank was unauthorised.

The defence contend that the signatures are genuine but that even if the signatures were forged, the conduct of the Government was such that it is estopped from alleging the forgery on account of negligence. The suggestion is put forward by the defence that the Government owed a duty to safeguard the Bank from the risk of forgery on any cheques issued by the bank, and to warn them of any occurrence of an unusual or suspicious nature, and to maintain competent and dutiful servants for handling the cheque books. The bank contend that the Government failed in their duties, and thereby induced defendants to honour the cheques.

### DEFENCE ENTER PLEAS OF NEGLIGENCE.

Counsel and solicitors are almost identical with those in the last November Criminal Sessions trial of Carvalho Yeo.

Mr. Potter and Mr. H. G. Sheldon (instructed by Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C.), who prosecuted at the Sessions, are for the Attorney-General.

Mr. Jenkin (who was instructed by Messrs. Russ & Co. for the defence of Carvalho Yeo) is now instructed by Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master for the Bank.

#### The Jury.

The following special jury was empanelled:—Messrs. H. A. Lamert (foreman), G. F. Haslam, S. M. Churn, B. Wong Tape, C. L. C. Sanders, Wong Kwong Tin, and R. M. Dyer.

Mr. Wong Kwong Tin applied for exemption on the ground that he had sat in the Hsinwah inquiry in February and that the Coroner had promised his exemption for five years. In March he received a summons to serve at Kowloon. And now, this month, he received a summons again.

In reply to his Lordship Mr. Wong said that he had received no notification of exemption.

His Lordship expressed sympathy with Mr. Wong but, under the circumstances, he could not exempt him. The Coroner had no power to order exemption and could only report to his Lordship.

In opening the case for Crown, Mr. Potter said that the action concerned certain alleged forged cheques and the Government was claiming that three cheques had been wrongfully debited to the Government account.

Banker and Customer.

Mr. Potter continued that for many years past the relationship existing between the Bank and the Government had been that of banker and customer. There had been no special contract of any kind. The procedure was that cheques, drawn on that account, by the Treasury, were signed by Mr. McI. Messer and Mr. T. Black, otherwise they would not be honoured.

Early in January, 1928, three cheques were presented to the Bank in the ordinary manner. They were accepted by the Bank and debited against the account of the Government. The cheques were: (1) on January 3, a cheque was drawn in favour of Messrs. Katz & Co., for \$88,885.33; (2) on January 4, a cheque payable to Messrs. Min Tak & Co., for \$78,300.41; (3) on January 5, a cheque drawn in favour of Messrs. Man Lee & Co., for \$88,142.19.

All those cheques, said Mr. Potter, purported to have been signed by Mr. Messer and Mr. Black. The bodies of the cheques purported to be in the handwriting of a Treasury clerk, Tsang On Wing, whose duty it was to fill in the bodies of cheques.

The Crown's case was, however, that both the signature and the bodies of the cheques were forgeries and the Crown would, in fact, prove them to be forgeries.

"A Simple Issue."

The amounts of the three cheques totalled over \$260,000, but, in fact, they had every reason to hope that a large amount of that money would eventually be recovered.

It was a simple issue for the jury—they had to decide whether or not the cheques were forged.

After remarking that 75 per cent. of the facts were admitted, Mr. Potter said that on November 2, 1927, a book of 800 cheques was issued by the Bank to the Treasury.

On December 12, 1927, another book of 600 cheques was also issued. At some time subsequent to the receipt of those books, 30 cheques were extracted from each book, three of them being the forged cheques, which were taken from the book of December 2.

The Treasury serial numbers commenced with one and continued until the end of the year, the following year being again started with one. When a new book was sent to the Gao for the alterations, it was necessary for the cash book clerk, Tsang On Wing, to refer to the book in current use for the last serial number in order to be able to write the following serial numbers into the new book.

Thirty Cheques Missing.

When Tsang On Wing received the book of December 2, from the Bank, he followed that procedure and found that the last serial number of the previous book, November 2, was 8970. He then appreciated for the first time that there were only 570 cheques in that book because the last serial number should have been 9000. His evidence would be that he appreciated only that and he did not suspect that any criminal wrong had been done.

The jury would note with interest that he commenced the serial number in the new book of December 2 with 8971.

An interesting matter arose out of the extraction of the cheques because it had meant a duplication of treasury serial numbers. The missing cheques had been numbered and as the numbering had been carried on, duplication of the missing numbers had occurred. It seemed to him that if Tsang On Wing had appreciated that the cheques had been wrongfully stolen out of the books, he would not have followed on with the numbering, as he would be the first person to get into trouble when it was discovered.

Tsang's Position.

The jury might think he, counsel, was defending Tsang. "I am going to defend him in this case, as I defended him in another case. The Government is going to stand by Tsang On Wing. The Government believed the true position was that Tsang had no hand or part in the swindle."

Counsel mentioned examples of duplications of Treasury serial numbers. The Katz & Co. cheque was numbered 9544, and there was a genuine cheque bearing that number in favour of the Hong Kong Excavation and Pile Driving Company for \$2,000. The Min Tak & Co. cheque was numbered 9551, a genuine cheque bearing that number being in favour of Messrs. Bradley & Co. for \$225. The number of the third alleged forgery, No. 8542, had a counterpart in a cheque drawn in favour of Chau Fat for \$613.3.

A Familiar Name—Carvalho Yeo.

Mr. Potter went on to say that the cheques were presented by a man whose name was no doubt familiar to the jury, Carvalho Yeo. He joined the Treasury on September 1, 1926. He was in charge of the water rate collection books.

It would have been easy for the Government to have brought an action against the Bank previously. The Government did not do that, however, deciding that before civil proceedings were taken the wrong-doer should be brought to justice.

Eventually Yeo was arrested in Shanghai, brought down to Hong Kong and was found guilty of uttering documents knowing them to have been forged.



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He was ably defended by Mr. Jenkin when the whole case for the Government was put before the Court. Nothing was kept back so that the Bank had the whole of the Government's case before them—rather unusual position for a litigant. Mr. Potter added that during the trial there was no suggestion as to how Mr. Messer and Mr. Black were tricked, if they were tricked.

The allegations of negligence contained in the statement of defence were based solely on the evidence given by witnesses for the Government in cross-examination in the criminal case.

The defence in the criminal case was permitted to examine every Government cheque in the bank signed by Mr. Messer and Mr. Black, the only limitation being that a representative of the Treasury should be present and that if any cheque was taken away, its number should be given.

Counsel did not think there had been any criminal case where greater facilities had been given by the Crown to the defence.

Mr. Messer and Mr. Black would swear that the signatures on the disputed cheques were not theirs. Mr. Potter proceeded to deal with the question of the signature of the cheques and said that the whole matter rested on truth. Truth would be the deciding factor, for there was no question of a mistake.

After the fifteen adjournment, Mr. Potter resumed his opening address and suggested to the jury certain differences noted by comparing real and alleged forged cheques purported to bear the signature of Mr. Messer. He pointed out that angularity varied considerably and only in one case among 3,000 cheques examined did the genuine signature bear any slight resemblance to the alleged forged signature, and even in that case, there were differences in other directions.

"If the signatures are not those of the customer, then the customer cannot be held responsible for the debit," declared Mr. Potter.

"With regard to Yeo," he went on, "I don't know whether he forged the cheques. The special jury in the criminal case held him to be not guilty of forgery but guilty of uttering cheques known to be forged. I will show you that this man was signing different signatures in different handwriting right under the nose of a bank clerk at different times."

"What individual member of the jury could open accounts at three different banks signing 'Bill Jones,' 'John Smith,' and 'Tom Robinson' respectively and then go to

each bank the next day and sign the exact signatures of the day before? I venture to assert that no body in this Court could do what Yeo did!"

#### The Defence.

Turning to the defence, Mr. Potter said that it was put forward by the Bank, in addition to a denial of forgery, that there was alleged negligence. In law, assuming that the allegation was true, then any evidence on that point put forward by the bank would be inadmissible because there was no special contract of any kind on the part of the Government with regard to its transactions with the bank.

"Therefore," declared Mr. Potter warmly, "this allegation is of supreme importance to everybody in the Colony with an account with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation! I don't think the directors really appreciate what their defence means! If my office boy steals a cheque from my book he is undutiful and I am liable for the full amount he may put on the cheque if he succeeds in cashing it! That is not the law!"

"Again," the paramount obligation upon the bank is that they can only debit my account on a cheque bearing my signature. In cheque bearing my signature, no other circumstances are I responsible for any money drawn from my account."

Mr. Potter further contended that it was the duty of the bank to appoint competent and dutiful servants to supervise customers' accounts. No such duty existed so far as the customer was concerned.

The hearing was adjourned until 10.30 this morning.

### RECOGNITION FOR CHINESE AVIATOR.

FROM EUROPE TO CHINA.

Nanking, April 19:—The Executive Yuan in a petition to the State Council, recommends that Chen Wen Lin, the Chinese aviator who is now flying in a monoplane from Europe across the continent to China, be publicly commended for his skill and unique achievement upon his arrival in China.

The provincial governments of Kwangtung, Hunan, Hupeh, Kiangsi, Anhwei, Chekiang and Kiangsu are being instructed to make appropriate preparations for the welcome of the aviator during his flight to Nanking through the various provinces.

It is understood that Mr. Chen has already arrived in South-Eastern Asia.

### HONOUR FOR MR. HO KWONG.

FINANCIAL ADVISER TO  
YUNNAN GOVERNMENT.

We learn that Mr. Ho Kwong, who is prominently associated with the local branch of Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Company, has been appointed Honorary Financial and Industrial Adviser to the Yunnanese Government.

The news was brought to Hong Kong by Mr. Li Chia Yuen, Chief Advisory Councillor of the Yunnanese Government, who arrived here on Sunday from Yunnan via Haiphong. Mr. Li called on Mr. Ho Kwong yesterday and handed him an official letter of appointment.

Mr. Ho Kwong has agreed to accept the appointment. Last year, Marshal Chen Sai Sing of the Kweichow Provincial Government, offered Mr. Ho Kwong a similar appointment in Kweichow Province, which appointment was also accepted.

Mr. Ho Kwong is chairman of the Twenty-four Trades Merchants' Guild of Hong Kong and chairman of the Hong Kong Sugar Merchants' Guild. He is also a member of the Court of the Hong Kong University and is on the Committee of many public organisations. A few years ago he was the Chairman of the Tung Wah Hospital and of the Chinese Club. Mr. Ho Kwong had also served on the committee of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce for many years and was once the Vice-President of that body. His resignation from the Executive Committee of the Chamber was only announced a few days ago.

We learn that Mr. Ho Kwong will shortly pay a visit to both Yunnan and Kweichow.

### EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS GIVEN BY JAPAN.

Tokyo, April 19:—According to investigations made by the Central Intelligence Office, men, who offered positions to labour exchanges throughout the country during last month, numbered 74,992 in all, those who applied for employment totalled 73,576, of whom 21,533 men secured employment, while those who offered positions to day-labourers, during last month, numbered 870,887, and those who applied for jobs, 414,709 of whom 370,633 secured jobs.



TOWN PLANNING  
IN CANTON.

## NEW GARDEN CITY AREA.

ELECTRIC POWER FROM THE  
NORTH.

## BRIDGE TO HONAM.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 22.

The Municipal Government is preparing a big scheme for the modernisation of Canton. Several model districts have been planned in the north-eastern part of the City with wide maloes and plots of land which are being sold by the municipality to private enterprises for building purposes. The idea is to have a big residential area modelled on the principles of European town planning, special care being paid to sanitary, lighting and water services. The water will be drawn from the reservoir which is being constructed to the east of Tungshan.

It is also hoped to move the power station of the Canton Power and Light Company from its present position on the South Bund, in the centre of the City, to the outskirts. This is a very important move as the heavy clouds of smoke from the four big chimneys has been an unmitigated nuisance to Canton. The soot and "blacks" find their way into every nook and cranny of the houses, onto the washing hung out to dry and into people's eyes. Mr. Ching Ting Koo, the newly-appointed chief of the Bureau of Public Works and chairman of the Development Committee of the Municipality, is taking a special interest in this problem and is planning to have the generating station moved either to Shek Cheng or Tsang Po. Mr. Ching is of opinion that Canton must be brought into line with other modern cities in this matter of first importance to the welfare of the city, and the Development Committee is backing him strongly. They suggest that if the Company refuses to comply its charter should be annulled and it should be taken over by the Municipality in the same manner as the Waterworks Company.

HARNESSING THE NORTH  
RIVER?

In connection with this matter of electric power the Government is carefully investigating the possibility of harnessing the rapids and waterfalls of the North River, and thus obtaining a cheap and adequate supply of electric current for power and lighting. The cost would be about \$10,000,000, but the water power is there in sufficient quantities for Canton's need. The present Company is unable to cope with the growing demand and its recent difficulties have been dealt with at length by the writer.

## TWO OTHER SCHEMES.

Two other important schemes are to be undertaken. The creek separating Dutch Folly, a small island which has been converted into a public park, will be filled in and a valuable strip of reclaimed land obtained. The project will cost over a million dollars and the Government is raising the money by means of a loan, with the reclaimed land as security. The other, and more important plan is the construction of a steel bridge between Canton and Honam. The bridge, which will cost about \$3,000,000, is to be projected on Wai Sun Road with the South Bund.

A special loan is being floated among the merchants, the Government having offered interest at six per cent.

THE "NEW BROOM" AT  
THE TREASURY.ALL KINDS OF REFORM  
PROMISED.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 22.

Mr. Fan Ki Mo, the newly appointed Commissioner of Finance, formally assumed office at noon in the Provincial Building, amid imposing ceremonies. Many of the high officials of the present regime, including General Chen Tsai Tong, and Mr. Chen Wai Chow were present. Speeches were delivered and 10,000 firecrackers let off as an auspicious opening of the new administration.

The new Finance Commissioner, in the course of his speech said that his policy would be to stamp out all forms of injurious and indiscriminate taxes. The Government will abolish gambling and prohibit the opium traffic. But since the Government derives a

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THE BOYCOTT  
COMMITTEE.

## ANNOUNCES ITS REPRIEVE.

CARRYING ON ACTIVELY AS  
EVER.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 22.

The Anti-Japanese Boycott Committee has announced that it will not cease to function until the end of the month. The Committee has ramifications all over the province and it declares that they "cannot get matters settled so soon" and so they intend to carry on as stated. It will be remembered that the Committee is to be re-organised under a new name with the object of undertaking the political and economic regeneration of China.

The pickets have stopped entering shops and seizing goods of Japanese origin since the 13th of this month, but a strict watch is maintained on the streets, and the merchants are still afraid to import Japanese goods. It is understood that this watch will be lifted by the end of this month.

The officers and pickets of the Committee held a big banquet on Sunday night in the Hotel Asia to mark the "successful close of their work." The function was attended by over 100 persons, speeches were delivered and a group picture was taken this morning in Hoi Chu Park.

No notification has so far been issued by the Committee to the merchants as to what is to be done with Japanese goods which were forcibly seized up in the stores. Now that the boycott is about to end, the merchants want to know if they may be permitted to unseal their goods and sell them without restrictions. The Canton Chamber of Commerce has just sent a petition to the Committee humbly requesting that the merchants be allowed to unseal and sell the "boycootted" goods. But the Committee has not so far deigned to reply.

## EN ROUTE TO CANTON.

General Hsu King Tong, commander of the 2nd Division, is reported to have arrived in Hong Kong from Swatow, and will en route to Canton in the immediate future to confer with General Chen Tsai Tong on some important questions.

## A MAD BURGLAR?

NEAT THEFT AND NEATER  
CAPTURE.

## HIS BAD RECORD.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton yesterday a Chinese was charged with burglary at the residence of Mr. W. H. Edmonds, 121, Wongsingchong Road.

It appeared that on Saturday night, Mr. Edmonds left his jacket in the sitting room while he went to another room. On his return to the sitting room, he found that his jacket had been moved and he then discovered that a number of articles had been stolen.

A search was made for the thief in the vicinity of the house without result and the police were communicated with. On returning to his house after making the report, Mr. Edmonds saw a man crouching in the dark opposite the building. Approaching, Mr. Edmonds observed his cigarette case protruding from the man's breast pocket and he instantly pounced on the man.

In the course of the struggle, Mr. Edmonds "got the impression" that the man was slightly demented. In the dock yesterday the man's defence counsel caused His Worship to inquire if he was "all there." The Police informed His Worship that the defendant had been known to practice such tricks in Court before.

On the police indicating that there was a likelihood of the recovering certain articles stolen from other houses in the same neighbourhood, His Worship remanded the defendant forty-eight hours.

Defendant's record showed that he was an old offender who had been banished from the Colony four times.

great part of its revenues from these traffics, the speaker warned his audience, that opium and gambling cannot be prohibited immediately.

Continuing the speaker said that Kwangtung will hereafter have plenty of money for reconstruction works, as it will no longer contribute towards the support of the Whampoa and Kwangsi Armies. "The huge sums formerly given to these two sources," he said, "will be devoted to reconstruction works here in Kwangtung."

ROBBERS FOUND  
GUILTY.HIGH STREET INCIDENT  
RECALLED.ALLEGATIONS OF ASSAULT  
BY DETECTIVE.

Allegations of assault by a Chinese detective constable and that statements were obtained by compulsion were made by accused persons at the Criminal Sessions trial before Mr. Justice Wood and a jury yesterday.

Four prisoners were in the dock on a charge of robbery by two or more at 78, High Street, ground floor, on the morning of February 7, but at the outset Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy (Assistant Attorney-General) informed His Lordship that he was not offering any evidence against one prisoner, Lo Sui Wing, and he was discharged.

A further charge of being in unlawful possession of a revolver was preferred against Li Kui and Mak Kwai, who were not legally represented, while the last prisoner, Au Wun, defended by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, I.C., instructed by Mr. F. X. D'Almeida, jun., had a second count against him of unlawful possession of four revolvers, 40 rounds of ammunition and a dagger, and also a charge of receiving stolen jewellery.

In outlining his case, Mr. Fitzroy said that six men gained access to the house of a married woman, she and an amah being the only occupants at the time. The men were armed with revolvers and daggers. They bound the two women with wire, gagged the mistress with a walnut, and stole jewellery and money. Describing the arrest of the prisoners, Mr. Fitzroy mentioned that another amah working at the house, but who was not present at the time of the robbery, knew the first accused. This woman took the police to a house in Shanghai Street and pointed out the man. The first accused then directed the police to the first floor of 12, Gough Street, where the other prisoners were arrested. The arms and jewellery included in the additional charges against Au Wun, who was the principal tenant of the floor, were found in the cockloft.

The Mistress of the House. Giving evidence the mistress of the house stated that the accused Mak Kwai was the man who pointed a revolver at her and she recognised him at once at an identification parade. Witness also recognised Au Wun as one of the robbers who had the lower part of his face covered with a handkerchief.

Cross-examined by Mr. Alabaster, witness agreed that after the identification parade and in the lower Court she had stated that she was 40 per cent. sure that Au Wun was one of the robbers, but the more she saw of the man since she was convinced beyond doubt of his identity.

## Prisoners' Statement.

Statements made by the prisoners when they were charged were put in evidence by a Chinese police interpreter. The statement of the first accused read: "I did go to rob, but did not carry anything; I was the second to enter." Accused alleged that he was forced to make this statement under threats by the discharged prisoner when he led the police to Gough Street. Mak Kwai alleged that he was compelled by the police to state that he took part in the robbery.

More serious allegations were made by Au Wun, when he was put into the witness box. Accused said that detective Fong Wing who arrested him while he was in the front cubicle of the house in Gough Street, struck him in the chest when he denied taking part in the robbery. He was handcuffed at the time and the first accused was present when he was struck.

Questioned by Mr. Fitzroy, accused said other police officers were present on the floor when he was struck, but they did not see the assault as he was then in the cubicle with the detective constable and the prisoner who directed him there. Accused was so frightened of further assaults that he had so far made no mention of the incident, but he asserted he was speaking the truth.

Accused further said that the cockloft where the arms were found was occupied by one of his sub-tenants. He knew nothing about the arms. In the other cockloft was another man who offered to sell him the diamond ear-rings and a hair slide, but he could not afford even a few dollars to buy them. The articles were returned to this man, who took them to the cockloft.

At this stage, the charge of possession of a revolver against the first accused and the additional counts against Mr. Alabaster's client were dropped. The charges when the jury were asked to consider their verdict were robbery against all three prisoners, and a further count of unlawful possession of a revolver against the second prisoner, Mak Kwai.

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ROUND THE POLICE  
COURTS.

## A BIT OF A CHARACTER.

CENTRAL MAGISTRACY  
CASES.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday, Mr. E. W. Hamilton ordered the discharge of a Chinese charged with cutting and wounding another man. The complainant was not in Court, and the police officer in charge of the case told the Magistrate that "He is a bit of a character, your Worship!" The defendant was discharged with a warning not to "go about chopping people."

The defendant: The complainant was holding the knife; all I did was to wrest it from him.

His Worship: Probably also, he cut himself with it. Go away!

## A BORROWED BABY?

"Did you borrow the child for the occasion?" asked Mr. Hamilton to a woman hawker who appeared before him on a minor charge. The woman, stood with a child in her arms. "It is my own child and I am a widow," she said.

All right, then, I shall fine you \$1.

## FOR HIS OWN GOOD.

"You will now get four strokes and I hope they will do you good," said Mr. Hamilton to a boy who was charged with riding a bicycle in the dark without a light. After hearing the defendant's explanation, his Worship remarked "You would only have been cautioned if you had not told all those lies."

## AT THE KOWLOON COURT.

## YOU BIG BULLY.

A Chinese shop feli was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy with assaulting a Chinese boy. Sergeant Humphreys said that the complainant alleged that the defendant tied him up and then poured boiling water over his hands and feet.

The defendant said that he assaulted the boy because he had stolen firewood; but denied that he had poured hot water on him. He said that the lad knocked over a pot of boiling water when running away.

The Magistrate remarked that if the complainant's story was true, he could not let the defendant off with a mere fine. Sergeant Humphreys said that the maximum penalty for assaulting children under 14 was a fine of \$100 or six months.

The Magistrate: "What business have you to assault him for stealing the firewood? What do you think the police are for? There's nothing to laugh about. This is a serious matter. You need not smile like that, you big bully." The Magistrate remanded the defendant for 24 hours, fixing the bail at \$100.

## A TRUTHFUL BURGLAR.

A Chinese man and boy charged with larceny of a quantity of clothing, both pleaded guilty.

Sub-inspector Hoare told the Magistrate that when the two defendants were stopped by Chinese detectives as they were walking in Tai Nam Street, the man told the detective that he had committed a burglary. On enquiry it was found that a man had stolen a quantity of clothing from an address in Tai Nam Street.

The Magistrate expressed surprise that the defendants should have admitted the offence when they did.

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## Guilty.

In his final address, Mr. Fitzroy asked the jury to observe that the prisoner Au Wun had a scar on his cheek. This man had been identified as one of the robbers, and it was shown in evidence that he had a handkerchief over the lower part of his face. There was good reason for attempting to hide the scar.

Mr. Alabaster said that 40 per cent. identity or a statement that Au Wun was like one of the robbers was not sufficient. Before the man could be convicted it had to be proved to the satisfaction of the jury that he was one of those who took part in the robbery.

After summing-up by his Lordship, the jury found all three prisoners guilty of the charge of armed robbery, but they were divided by six to one in the case of the first accused. They also brought in a unanimous verdict of guilty on the charge of arms possession against the second prisoner who was stated to have pointed a revolver at the mistress of the house during the robbery.

Sentences were deferred until 10.15 to-morrow morning. The last case on the calendar will be taken this morning. This deals with robbery at 10, Castle Road, the principal victim being an old woman who was stated to have died from the effects of shock received when the robbers entered. Four men are concerned in the trial.

## THE WATER SUPPLY.

## LATEST RETURNS.

In accordance with the arrangement recently made by the Director of Public Works for issuing information regarding the water supply, we publish below the first of the weekly statements to be issued:—

## HONG KONG WATERWORKS.

The total storage in the island reservoirs on April 22 amounted to 332.38 million gallons, showing a decrease of 30.71 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption amounted to 37.58 million gallons, and includes 2.10 million gallons brought across the harbour from Kowloon to the tanks on the Water Front and 1.33 from the Taihoo Reservoirs.

## KOWLOON WATERWORKS.

The total storage in the mainland reservoirs on April 22 amounted to 136.81 million gallons, showing a decrease of 23.20 million gallons during the past week.

The week's consumption, including supplies to Water Boats and Hong Kong, totals 30.78 million gallons. The Shing Mun River continues to yield nearly a million gallons daily.

## CROWN LAND SALES.

## TWO LOTS SOLD.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1217, situated near the Castle Peak Road, was sold at the Crown Land Office yesterday afternoon to Mrs. Hong Ming and Mr. Cheung Siu of 19, Yue Chau Street, Shamshui, at the upset price of \$735. It has an area of about 1,224 square feet and has an annual rental of \$6.

The next lot which is known as the Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1218 was sold to Mr. Kong Siu Ying of 243, Des Voeux Road, for \$4,100, the upset price being \$3,980. It is situated at the junction of Cheung Sha Wan Road and Shek Kip Mei Road, Shamshui, and has an area of about 2,275 square feet, its annual rental being \$18.

not have any of the stolen property in their possession. Sub-inspector Hoare replied that they would probably have been taken to the Station in any event.

Three previous convictions were produced against the first defendant and the Magistrate imposed a sentence of six months' imprisonment. The lad was ordered to receive ten strokes of the cane.

## POSSESSION OF OPIUM.

A Chinese who was arrested as he alighted from a train at Kowloon Railway Station with 80 taels of raw opium in his possession, was fined \$2,400 or ten months' hard labour.

## WASTING WATER.

A Chinese coolie was charged with wasting water. It was stated that the defendant failed to turn off the tap of a street hydrant in Canton Road, while going away to fetch a second bucket.

A fine of \$5 was imposed.

## DURING THE HOLIDAYS.

A Chinese motor car driver appeared on a summons for failing to report a motor accident which occurred on the Leichikok Road on April 1. The defendant's car met in collision with a car owned by Captain Wickedness.

The defendant said that he did not report the accident as it was during the holidays.

Magistrate: There are no holidays for a thing like that. Sergeant Scrim told the Magistrate that the accident was not reported nor did the defendant give his name or address to the Police Station.

The defendant said that he didn't see the other car's number. Had the other driver not attempted to overtake a motor bus the accident would not have occurred. He considered that he was in the right, and for that reason he did not report the incident.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$10.

## CAUSING OBSTRUCTION.

A Chinese car owner was fined \$5 for leaving his car unattended outside his house for two consecutive nights. Two European motorcyclists were also fined \$5 each for parking their cycles beyond the line and notice board at the Star Ferry Shelter. Both complained that the sign board was not very prominent and that they did not notice it.

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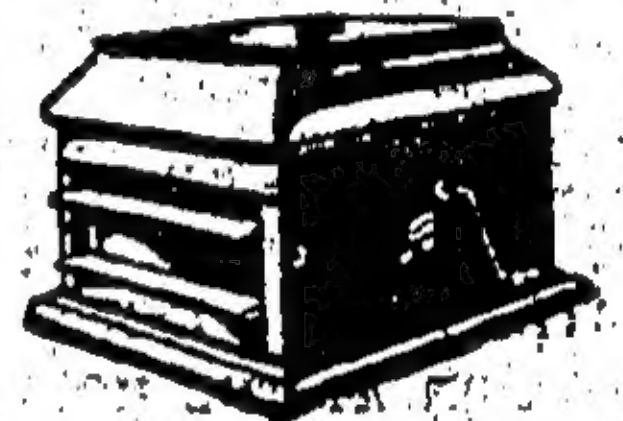
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

## G. R. NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of the following TRAFFIC ARRANGEMENTS which will be ENFORCED during the LANDING of H.R.H. THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER, on THURSDAY, the 25th INST. and the RECEPTION on the H.K. CRICKET CLUB GROUND on the 26th INST.

1.—CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL From Pender Street To JACKSON ROAD will be entirely CLOSED From 10.00 A.M. To 11.30 A.M. VEHICULAR TRAFFIC will proceed via Des Voeux Road Central.

2.—QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL From GARDEN ROAD To ICE HOUSE STREET will be entirely CLOSED to VEHICULAR TRAFFIC (except Tram Cars) From 11 A.M. To 12 NOON.

WEST BOUND TRAFFIC will be DIVERTED by WAY of MURRAY and CHATER BRIDGE. EAST BOUND TRAFFIC From QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL by WAY of PENDER STREET, CHATER ROAD and MURRAY ROAD.

3.—NO MOTOR CARS will be Permitted to Park in CHATELAIN SQUARE, SPADINA SQUARE, WARDLEY STREET and CHATER ROAD From 10.00 A.M. To 12 NOON.

4.—GUESTS invited to Attend at QUEEN'S PIER on 25/4/29 will proceed by Way of MURRAY ROAD and CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL to the HONG KONG CLUB where they will Alight and Walk to the PIER. CARS to be Parked in CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL EAST of the HONG KONG CLUB.

At the Conclusion of the Reception on the Pier, the Guests will Walk to the CITY HALL by Way of STATUE SQUARE and WARDLEY STREET.

At 11.30 A.M. the CARS Parked in CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL East of HONG KONG CLUB may be Allowed to Proceed to WARDLEY STREET and STATUE SQUARE.

5.—NO BUS TRAFFIC will be Permitted WEST of GARDEN ROAD Between 10.45 A.M. and 11.30 A.M.

6.—TRAFFIC Proceeding To and From the UPPER LEVELS Between 10.30 and 11.30 will be DIVERTED by Way of ICE HOUSE STREET, LOWER ALBERT ROAD, WINDHAM STREET and ARBUTHNOT ROAD, and vice versa.

7.—WARDLEY STREET Between QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL and DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL will be entirely CLOSED to TRAFFIC Between 10.30 and 12.30 Hours, except for Buses as in Para. 4.

8.—KENNEDY ROAD will be Entirely CLOSED to VEHICULAR TRAFFIC From 4 P.M. To 6.30 P.M.

## FRIDAY 26th INST.

## RECEPTION AT THE HONG KONG CRICKET GROUND.

1.—GUESTS Arriving from the West of JACKSON ROAD will Enter the CRICKET GROUND by the GATE in QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

2.—EXIT will be by Gate in QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL and MURRAY ROAD. CARS will Not be Allowed to Approach the GATE in QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL to Pick up Owners or Passengers.

3.—CARS will be Parked in CHATER ROAD, GARDEN ROAD Outside HONG KONG CLUB, and CONNAUGHT ROAD Near the V.R.O.

4.—CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL East of STAR FERRY and CHATER ROAD East of QUEEN'S STATUE will be CLOSED to VEHICULAR TRAFFIC Between 3.30 and 5 P.M.

TRAFFIC will proceed via PENDER STREET and Des Voeux Road Central.

T. H. KING, Capt. Supt. of Police, Hong Kong, Apr. 22nd, 1929. [7636]

## THE HONG KONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SOCIETY will be held in the BOARD ROOM of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. on MONDAY, 29th APRIL, 1929, at 5.15 P.M.

JACK BUCHANAN, Hon. Secretary.

## ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

BY Kind Permission of Lt.-Col. C. H. LITTLE, D.S.O., and Officers, the Band and Bugles of the 1st Battalion, the SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY will play the following Programme of Music at the CRICKET CLUB'S GROUND (by Courtesy) at 5.30 P.M. TO-DAY.

1.—..... Fanfare of Bugles.  
2.—..... The Retreat.  
3.—MARCH ..... Sambo's Muse.  
4.—Bucles MARCH ..... Windsor.  
5.—DESCRIPTIVE PRIZE The Ride of St. George.  
6.—Bucles MARCH ..... Old Faithful.  
7.—..... Grand Fantasia of English Song.  
8.—MARCH ..... Marching thro' Georgia.  
9.—..... Rule Britannia.  
THE EVENING HYMN.  
BROT. MARCH ..... Prince Albert.  
Good Bye the King.  
Conductor.....Mr. E. J. WOOLLCOTT. [7638]

## INTIMATIONS.

## G. R. NOTICE.

## HONG KONG AND KOWLOON WATER SUPPLY.

THE Quantity of Water in the Storage Reservoirs has fallen so low that Further Restrictive Measures are under consideration, and should an adequate Rainfall not occur before the end of April the WATER SUPPLY in HONG KONG and KOWLOON will be CUT OFF DAILY Between the Hours of 6 P.M. and 8 A.M. from the 1st MAY.

The Most Rigid Economy in the Consumption of Water is Now Essential, and the Co-operation of the Public in Preventing Waste is Again Earnestly Requested.

HAROLD T. OREASY, Water Authority, Hong Kong, 19th Apr., 1929. [7574]

## HONG KONG CLUB.

## NOTICE.

ON the Occasion of the Landing at QUEEN'S PIER of H.R.H. THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER, on THURSDAY, the 25th APRIL, the YERANDA of the Club will be OPENED to Wives of Members and Service Members and their Ladies Friends only, from 10 A.M. to 12 NOON.

By Order, T. A. ROBERTSON, Lt.-Col., Secretary, Hong Kong, 22nd Apr., 1929. [7679]

## HONG KONG POLO CLUB.

## H.R.H. THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER'S VISIT.

MEMBERS are asked to note that Play will begin at 4.45 P.M. on THURSDAY, APRIL 25th.

A Special Tea will be served and by Permission of Lt.-Col. LITTLE and Officers the Band of the 1st Battalion, the SOMERSET LIGHT INFANTRY will Play.

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L. C. F. BELLAMY, General Manager, April 19th, 1929. [7671]

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HERBERT R. STURT, Manager, Hong Kong, 22nd Apr., 1929. [7677]

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## WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone is now situated over Loochoo and the depression near Nemuro. Another depression is approaching Shantung from the westward.

Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, fair.

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## The Daily Press.

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## CHINA'S LABOUR PROBLEMS.

During two recent months there were nineteen strikes in Shanghai, affecting over 10,000 workers. The longest stoppage lasted thirty-two days, while the shortest dispute was over in three hours. The causes of these troubles were various, and mostly trivial. Trouble usually arose out of differences concerning wages and hours, but in one case over 400 persons were idle for four days owing to a watchman's failure to sound the factory whistle punctually in the mornings. The dismissal by a foreign concern of an employee accused of theft led to 300 women ceasing work for three hours. This dispute was settled by the dismissal being officially regarded as a resignation. Such incidents appear to be very common in the North, and are probably inevitable during a period of transition like the present. Social phenomena of this character are exasperating to employers of labour, especially when trouble arises from petty incidents, such as those mentioned. Chinese workers will gradually become more accustomed to Western methods of industrial management, and native and foreign employers become more disposed to recognise the unions. Then, if both sides earnestly endeavour to work harmoniously together, there will be less friction and more co-operation, though, of course, there will be occasions—as in other countries—when the machinery for preserving peace in industry will temporarily break down.

M. ALBERT THOMAS, the Director of the International Labour Office, Geneva, recently made a tour of the Far East, and his report on his visit, presented to the Governing Body of the Office, deals frankly with the labour problems of China and Japan. Although he does not presume to express an opinion on conditions of work in China, where he only spent a few days, he records some interesting impressions. He saw the night-shifts going to work in the cotton mills at Hankow—a long procession of women and, it was noted with regret, of children, many of whom were under fourteen. At Shanghai small children of six and seven were seen working in the damp atmosphere of silk-weaving mills, their working day being eleven hours, with one hour's break. A certain number of wage figures were noted, which, in the view of impartial judges, were just sufficient to support life for a family. The wretched housing conditions of workers in Hankow and Shanghai were observed. He found that the information at present available on conditions of work in China is extremely incomplete and irregular, and he looks forward to the establishment of a representative of the Office in China, who would pay special attention to the collection and publication of information. M. THOMAS also looks forward to the attendance at the Geneva Conference in May of a full Chinese delegation.

The National Government has drawn up a new draft labour code, which is described as "an extremely complete and far-reaching document, resembling the labour codes or factory Acts of the most advanced countries." While welcoming all bold and rapid reform measures, M. THOMAS evidently thought the new code much too idealist for successful application. He drew

the attention of the authors of the draft to the difficulties of enforcement. "The inspection services are still in a rudimentary condition. Without an efficient inspectorate, as the Chinese Government admitted, it will be impossible to enforce legislation." He suggested immediate concentration on the creation of an inspectorate and three or four fundamental reforms which must form the basis of all labour legislation: abolition of the night work of women and workmen's compensation for accidents.

Prudence is especially necessary because of the extreme uneasiness of the employers, especially those in the foreign concessions, that the code may involve them at once in immense expenditure. M. THOMAS pressed on the Chinese Government the need for establishing first reforms already accepted by all the great industrial countries but not yet instituted in China. These it would be "morally impossible" for employers, and especially foreign employers, to refuse to apply.

M. THOMAS discusses the belief that the Nanking Government is in a precarious position, that civil war is likely to break out in the near future, and that there will be military revolts led by powerful Generals. He has the impression that "the important and authoritative" of the Nationalist Government are not, always fully realised. The Chinese Government, like that of Russia, is the result of the dictatorship of a party. The party has succeeded in obtaining national unity. Yet, even now, any military leader who wished to secede would encounter serious difficulties. He stresses the nationalist side of the Chinese labour movement in its present stage. Immense numbers of workers' unions have sprung up in Canton, Hankow, and Shanghai. In these bodies the Communist movement found a tool ready to hand, and took possession of them for a time. M. THOMAS says:—

"The Communist movement inspired them with its excessively simple formula, which even to-day, after the rupture between Chinese Nationalism and Communism, continues to be repeated, and sometimes, though unconsciously, still inspire attitudes and acts. The National party, however, realises the danger. As is well known, it has broken with the Bolsheviks. It has feared, and still fears, Communist excesses, and it intends during the period of tutelage to organise and lead the workers to itself. It is felt in all quarters that the first necessity is to fight against Communism."

It is said at Canton that there are still executions every week. The most advanced elements of the Kuomintang, which support Socialist theories, are suspect. The dictatorship of the party is severe. Some have spoken of a 'White Terror'. The second object of the leaders of the Kuomintang is to organise the workers in a spirit of nationalism, anti-imperialism, and it may even said xenophobia. When the Director asked to meet the workers' organisations in the towns through which he passed, it was, in fact, the workers' organisation committees of the Kuomintang party which he met. Extremely narrow nationalist ideas were sometimes put forward at such meetings. Propaganda appears to be mainly directed against the unequal treaties, which are regarded as the root of all evil, rather than towards workers' organisations in the strict sense."

The Kuomintang party has not yet worked out its fundamental policy on workers' organisation. Some are in favour of free organisation of trade-unions; others suggest an organisation of an authoritative character with State arbitration in disputes between employers and workers, which would ensure justice for both sides, but would aim, above all, at political stability and increased production. A speaker at a Canton meeting referred in this connection to Fascist organisation. M. THOMAS did, however, find some signs of less purely political organisations, which seemed to be the beginning of a real trade-union movement. These were at Shanghai and still more at Canton. A strong trade-union movement, even if confined to the large towns in which industry is concentrated, would be an important factor in the development of social legislation in China, and it would certainly have a strong and stimulating influence upon the general political situation.

The Hong Kong branch of the Central Bank of China will be opened on May 1.

One Chinese case of small-pox, one of diphtheria and one of enteric were reported yesterday.

The S.S. Morea, with the Duke of Gloucester on board, is expected here at 10 a.m. on Thursday. She left Singapore at 1 a.m. on Sunday.

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on April 29 at 5.15 p.m.

This afternoon, at 5.30, the band of the Somerset Light Infantry will play on the Cricket Club ground. Other arrangements for the observance of St. George's Day were published in yesterday's issue.

An accident occurred while the S.S. Mishima Maru was working cargo at No. 2 Kowloon Godowns wharf yesterday. A sling of cargo fell on a coolie's head, fracturing his skull. The man was taken to the Kowloon Hospital in a very serious condition.

There is no hope of civilians being allowed to bathe on the benches at Stonecutter's Island this summer. Efforts have been made to obtain permission to use a portion of one of the benches, but the military authorities regret it is impossible to permit civilians to make use of Stonecutter's Island as a bathing resort.

It is reported that two Chinese gunboats are in the vicinity of Bias Bay, and that troops are also in the neighbourhood. If this report is true, it is unlikely that the pirates who recently gathered in the vicinity will attempt to make themselves objectionable. At the same time, precautions are being taken in view of the information which has reached the police and was published last week.

The Banvard Comedy Company. The Banvard Comedy Company concluded their season at the Star Theatre last night with another performance of "The Cuckoo in the Nest." There was a full house and unstinted applause. It is very long since any company has given so much pleasure and drawn such consistently good houses as the "Banwards," with their repertoire of farces and "thrillers." They are an extremely efficient company, not only on the stage, but also in matters of organisation and publicity, and they worked for the success they obtained. This morning they leave for the North and expect to visit Shanghai, Tientsin and Peking. They will give another season here in about six weeks' time.

Why Not British Seamen? The Lord Mayor of London, after inspecting a guard of honour of 100 "Wasp" boys at the annual Court of Governors of the Marine Society at the Mansion House, said that there were still many foreign seamen serving in British ships. As a nation they should see that no British seaman remained unemployed because a berth for which he was fitted was filled by a foreign sailor. Fortunately for the country, there appeared to be an unlimited number of splendid boys always eager to go to sea. Admiral Sir Stanley Colville said that during the last ten years the society had awarded 33 awards to old Wasp boys who had attained commissioned or warrant rank in the Navy, and 40 sextants to others who had passed for second mate in the Merchant Service. Captain Sir Arthur W. Clarke, chairman of the committee, said that since its institution in 1758 the Marine Society had trained and sent to sea over 60,000 boys.

Russian Oil. Sir Henry Deterding and the British oil interests have entered into a contract with the Soviet "Rop" (Russian Oil Products), the result of which will probably be the cessation of the trade rivalry that has existed between these two great petroleum factors. There is much more to this adjustment than the simple fact that it portends the end of a disagreement between two powerful marketing factors. There is even more to the truth than the mere fact that some of the leaders of the party in England who did not favour trade with Soviet Russia have found cause to reverse their attitude. The agreement between the British and the Soviet interests to market petroleum upon an orderly basis virtually involves a sincere desire to conserve oil and to eliminate wasteful methods of competition. To anyone acquainted with the petroleum market, it has been apparent for quite some time that a serious problem therein is that of overproduction. It has been evident, moreover, for some time past, that the world-wide overproduction of petroleum could not be controlled until there had been effected more amicable relations between the differing factions—France, Spain, Poland and certain other countries which are dependent upon outside sources for their oil supplies have expressed some apprehension regarding the present trends. They apparently are disinclined to sacrifice the benefits they have been able to derive from a demoralized market in which they can obtain gain prices on their purchases. But those benefits do not offset the tremendous world waste caused by the extravagant extraction of the petroleum supplies and the dissipation of stocks. Temporarily prices may be favourable to consumers, but if the condition in question were allowed to continue there would certainly be a reaction necessitating rapid accretions in price or a substitution of a new fuel at some future date.

News and Views.

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## OUTRAGE ON THE YANGTZE.

ENGINEER DIES OF WOUNDS.

OFFICIALS CONFER IN TOKYO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 22. Later reports of the bombardment of the Yangtze Maru on the Upper Yangtze state that Sub-Lieut. Toyoda and one Chinese were killed. The Chief Engineer afterwards died of wounds, and there were six or seven others wounded, including five Japanese Marines.

Japanese Protest Likely.

Tokyo, April 22. The Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs has conferred with the Premier upon the Yangtze Maru incident. It is expected that a vigorous protest will be filed with the Chinese authorities.

## REBEL LEADERS SUBMIT. ALL HUPEH UNDER THE GOVERNMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, April 21. It is reliably reported that General Hu Tsung Tu and General Tso Chuan, the Hupeh leaders, have agreed to Marshal Chiang Kai Shek's terms and will surrender. Their armies will be handed over to the Central Government for reorganisation purposes, while the leaders themselves will depart for the purpose of "pursuing" their studies abroad.

It is part of Marshal Chiang's guarantee that they will go abroad with financial assistance from the Nanking Government. The danger of further hostilities up river is thus obviated and the entire province of Hupeh now owes allegiance to the Nanking Government.

## CHANG TSUNG CHANG ROUTED. TROOPS LEAVING CHEFOO.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 22. A message from Chefoo, dated last night, states that General Liu Chen Nien has evidently inflicted a serious defeat, with heavy casualties, on General Chang Tsung Chang. Making several sorties from Muping city, he caused the greatest confusion between Chang's forces encircling the walls, resulting in the latter killing each other in the darkness.

Early this morning, Chang's men commenced retreating through Chefoo in the greatest disorder, some discarding their uniforms. It is rumoured that General Liu's men are already within a few miles of East Chefoo.

Chang's Claims.

LATER. Despite a continued retreat of stragglers through Chefoo Chang Tsung Chang has issued posters declaring the capture of Muping and the death of Liu Chen Nien. The situation is quiet but all shops have their shutters up.

## THE SITUATION AT CHANGTSEH.

SERIOUS TROUBLE IN THE VICINITY.

[BRITISH NAVAL WIRELESS.]

CHANGSHA, April 19. No message has yet been received from the tug Yuechow, which is proceeding to the relief of the foreigners at Changtseh. Serious trouble is reported at Taoyuan, which is fifteen miles above Changtseh.

## LI TSAI HSIN'S FATE STILL OBSCURE?

According to a cable to the Shanghai Mercury, dated April 18, from Nanking "the fate of Li Tsai Hsin is still obscure."

## REPORTED RESTRICTIONS ON THE YANGTZE.

[Fah Tsu Yat Pao.]

SHANGHAI, April 22. The ex-Wuhan troops in Shensi have declared restrictions on movements of vessels, in that all ships are to be subject to search and will not be allowed to sail before 9 a.m. and a 7 4 p.m. Several foreign vessels have been fired upon by the troops on the ground that they refused to be searched.

## CHIANG KAI SHEK AND COMMUNISM.

[Fah Tsu Yat Pao.]

SHANGHAI, April 22. Chiang Kai Shek has decided to issue a circular letter addressed to the young citizens of the nation asking them not to believe or give ear to the doctrine of Communism. The letter is being drafted.

## HURRICANE SWEEPS JAPAN.

DEATHS AND DESTRUCTION.

DAMAGE ON LAND AND SEA.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Tokyo, April 22. A violent hurricane which swept over almost the whole of Japan yesterday left a widespread toll of death and damage in its wake.

Reports from various parts of the country indicate that numberless houses were wholly or partially destroyed. A number of fishing and other small craft were sunk, or are missing. The casualties include several drowned at sea and several killed or injured on land.

Naval Ratings Missing. The toll of lives lost in the destruction wrought by yesterday's hurricane continues to mount.

Two Naval planes carrying a crew of four belonging to the aircraft-carrier Akagi are officially reported missing in a storm during practice off the Korean coast. Three bluejackets have been washed overboard from destroyers, and are feared drowned.

The north-western coast of Japan appears to have suffered worst, especially Niigata. Belated reports from that point indicate that several hundred houses have been completely demolished, and about three hundred seriously damaged. There are eight known dead and many injured. The property loss is estimated to exceed ¥1,000,000.

In addition to other factors, the winds fanned disastrous conflagrations in two northern towns, resulting in four deaths, and destruction of 60 buildings. The loss of life at sea, where many fishing boats are still missing is not yet certain, but it is feared it may be heavy.

## LABOUR TROUBLE IN THE NORTH.

[Fah Tsu Yat Pao.]

SHANGHAI, April 22. Workers of the Kailan coal mines have decided to go on strike following the refusal of the Mining Bureau to increase their wages. The Mining Bureau has requested the local authorities to mediate in the dispute.

## DARING FLYER IN HOSPITAL.

OPERATION ABOARD A LINER.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 22. Captain Lancaster, who crashed three weeks ago at Port of Spain in a flight across the Caribbean, and suffered internal injuries, has arrived on a liner in which he was operated upon: the day after he left Barbados.

He has gone to hospital here, and his condition is serious. Captain Lancaster's most spectacular flight was to Australia, accompanied by Mrs. Keith Miller.

## SIX PEOPLE KILLED IN AIR ACCIDENT.

STRANGE AFFAIR AT SAN DIEGO.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

SAN DIEGO, April 22. Six people were killed here today in an extraordinary double aeroplane accident.

An Army aeroplane suddenly plunged down from a height of 2,000 feet, and struck the wing of a passenger plane which was flying beneath. Both planes crashed, and all the occupants were killed.

One of the occupants of the Army plane jumped out, but his parachute caught a wing, and he was carried helplessly to his death.

## SIR JOHN SIMON'S RETURN.

TO CONTEST SPEN VALLEY AT ELECTION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 21. Lord Burnham, who, owing to ill-health was forced to leave India in advance of the other members of the Simon Commission, arrived in England yesterday.

Sir John Simon and the remainder of his colleagues are due to reach London next Friday.

On his return, Sir John Simon will engage at once in the election campaign at Spen Valley, where he is the Liberal candidate. In view of his absence, owing to the special mission, his Conservative opponent has withdrawn, but a Labour candidate will oppose him.

## PARIS CONFERENCE HOPES.

BREAKDOWN MAY BE AVERTED.

ANOTHER POSTPONEMENT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 21. Strong hopes are now entertained by the British Press that the breakdown of the Experts' Conference on German reparations now proceeding in Paris, may be averted.

The sudden death of Lord Revelstoke on Friday, necessitated the postponement of the plenary session fixed for that day, and subsequent events have not lessened the hope that a solution of the difficult problems before the Experts may be found. A full meeting was to have been held to-morrow but the German delegates have been summoned to Berlin in order to inform the Cabinet of the progress made. The meeting has, therefore, been again postponed.

The German delegates are expected to be back in Paris in time to attend the funeral service for Lord Revelstoke, which will be held to-morrow. Memorial services for Lord Revelstoke, who will be buried at Revelstoke, South Devon, will be held in London both in the City, and at Saint Margaret's, Westminster, on Tuesday. The Prince of Wales will represent the King at the latter service.

Schacht's Authority.

Berlin, April 21. Reuter learns that Dr. Schacht and Herr Voegelé have been in consultation with the Cabinet and have clearly stated that the Memorandum presented to the Reparations Committee in Paris contained no political suggestions. The Cabinet has renewed their authority to exercise a free hand. What Germany Wants.

Paris, April 22.

The German Memorandum states that if Germany is to assume the payments enumerated in the plan submitted by Doctor Schacht, without further increasing her foreign debt, she should be permitted to "recruit overseas sources of raw materials exclusively to herself."

The Memorandum also refers to Germany's loss of territory on her eastern frontier. It adds that the separation of a whole province from the rest of the Reich has so seriously affected the prosperity of this province that the Reich is obliged regularly to subsidize it; "Consequently it will be necessary to agree to measures with a view to dealing with these unfavourable conditions which are reducing Germany's capacity to pay."

The Havas diplomatic correspondent comments that evidently the Germans wish to demand full sovereignty of the Reich over ex-German colonies, and also the Danzig corridor and Upper Silesia.

## NO FARM SUBSIDY.

PRESIDENT HOOVER'S DECISION.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 21. After a study of the reports of the operations of similar schemes in other countries, President Hoover has expressed his disapproval of the Export Debenture plan for the assistance of American farmers.

## An Unworkable Scheme.

WASHINGTON, April 22. President Hoover has written to Mr. McNary, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, declaring that the Export Debenture plan to assist farmers is bad and unworkable. He believes it would create profiteering, with resultant disaster to the farmer himself.

Mr. Mellon has also written to the Committee declaring that the proposed debenture is indistinguishable from a cash bounty on exports. "It is hardly to be assumed that foreign countries with important agricultural interests to protect will permit their producers to be subjected to a price war subsidised from the United States Treasury, without adopting protective measures," he adds.

## PHILIPPINE SUGAR.

MR. STIMSON'S FIRM STAND.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 21. Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, is vigorously opposed to a proposal that has been made for the restriction of the free importation of sugar from the Philippine Islands, of which he was until lately Governor-General.

Mr. Stimson expresses the opinion that it is entirely unnecessary to protect American sugar production and says that a move such as that referred to, would inevitably be interpreted in the East and elsewhere as a betrayal of trust by the United States.

## AUSTRALIAN TRADE WITH U.S.

PROTEST AGAINST TARIFF PROPOSALS.

A BROAD HINT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CANBERRA, April 22.

The Australian Commonwealth Note to the United States Government on the proposed alteration of the American tariff on a basis unfavourable to Australia refers to the unfavourable trade balance between Australia and America, and the possibility of a diversion of trade from America to British and other countries, with whom the Commonwealth has favourable trade relations.

The Note emphasises that if further restrictions are imposed on Australian trade by tariff increases the feeling against American trade preponderance will grow. Australia desires the maintenance of mutually profitable and amicable trade relations between the two countries.

The Note shows that in the year 1927-28 the imports of Australia from America were \$34,000,000, while Australian exports to America were only \$9,000,000. Wool exports to America have declined considerably, while Australian imports of American motor cars and accessories have increased in one decade from \$5,000,000 to \$44,000,000.

## THE DUKE OF GLOUCESTER.

SINGAPORE AIRMAN'S FAREWELL.

PASSENGERS CHARMED WITH DUKE'S PERSONALITY.

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press."]

ON BOARD THE MOREA.

April 21. The Garter Mission to Japan, headed by H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester, has resumed its journey towards Yokohama after a short but pleasant stay in Singapore.

The weather is delightfully fine, and the sea is smooth as glass.

On leaving Singapore a seaplane accompanied us for some distance, flying abreast of the open sea. As the seaplane turned to start its flight back to Singapore, the aviator was seen to wave his hand in a farewell salute to the Royal party, who had been watching his movements with great interest.

Among the passengers on board the Morea is a prominent London physician who is on his way to Shanghai, whence he is proceeding to Hankow. This gentleman informed me that the amiable personality of H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester had won general appreciation among his fellow-travellers.

The Duke has officiated as President of the Committee which was organised to arrange the usual deck games and sports. Not only has His Royal Highness taken his full share of the general organising work, but he has taken active part in a number of competitions with varying success.

The passengers are unanimous in expressing the opinion that the Duke has a most charming and agreeable personality. He has joined freely in the dances and other social amenities, and has been most affable to everybody on board. Those who are going on by the Morea to China and Japan are, disappointed that the Duke has to leave them at Hong Kong, and his departure from the Morea will be deeply regretted.

## PRINCESS MARY VISITS THE KING.

LUNCHEON AT BOGNOR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, April 21. Visits were paid to H.M. the King at Craigwell House yesterday by Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles, who are at present staying at Goodwood House, which is a few miles from Bognor. They arrived in the afternoon and spent the night as guests of their Majesties.

The King was out walking in the grounds early this morning and on the return from church the Queen and Prince George joined His Majesty in another short walk before luncheon.

Princess Mary and Viscount Lascelles motored to Craigwell House for luncheon.

## CAMPBELL OUT OF LUCK.

A GALLANT ATTEMPT FAILS.

DIFFICULT TRACK A DRAWBACK.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

VERNEUX PAN, April 22.

Captain Campbell made an attempt this afternoon but failed to beat Segrave's record.

Campbell's speed was 218.54 miles per hour. His speed in the first mile was 224.53, and his second mile 212.51.

The Bluebird was pushed to the track at 4.40 p.m. and made the first run with the wind behind.

It passed the measured mile like a cloud of smoke and drew up without accident.

The mechanics rushed up, changed the tyres and made necessary adjustments.

The wind had practically dropped as the car started on its second mile, and the conditions appeared to be ideal.

After an examination of the Bluebird's track, Campbell said there were still patches on the course and it was impossible to reattempt the race until the whole track received attention.

Campbell suffered two severe bumps as he approached the measured mile on the return journey. He is prepared to make a further attempt provided the necessary funds, estimated at \$2,500 are available to meet outstanding debts and to repair the track.

## AGAINST THE SPANISH DIRECTORATE.

STUDENTS TELL BRITISH TOURISTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Paris, April 21.

A message from Valencia states that a crowd of students surrounded twenty British tourists and explained their hostility against the Government.

Feeling against General Primo de Rivera is strongly displayed, and the closing of the University is momentarily expected.

## TURKISH COMMUNISTS ARRESTED.

FINANCED FROM BERLIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 21.

Twenty-two alleged Communists have been arrested. They are believed to belong to an organisation financed from Berlin and Vienna, whose activities are concentrated upon Constantinople and Smyrna.

A quantity of Communist literature and printing plant for the production of a Communist newspaper were seized.

## ANNOYED WITH U.S. OFFICIALS.

SIR R. TAGORE LEAVES IN DISGUST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LOS ANGELES, April 21.

Sir Rabindranath Tagore, the famous Indian poet and philosopher, who only arrived at Los Angeles a few days ago from Canada, left suddenly for Japan today, it appears in disgust.

His secretary informed enquirers that Sir Rabindranath Tagore had decided to leave because he was offended by the "contemptuous" treatment of United States immigration officials.

## AMERICA'S NAVAL ESTIMATES.

TWO NEW BATTLESHIPS PLANNED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 21.

The preliminary estimates prepared by the Navy Department for the fiscal year 1931, recommend the raising of funds for the construction of two new battleships.

If the plans are approved, these will be the first capital ship replacements under the Washington Treaty.

## EMBANKMENT BREAKS IN MISSOURI.

4,000 ACRES FLOODED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, April 21. It is learned from Quincy, Illinois, that an embankment in Marion County, Missouri, broke last night under the pressure of the rising waters of the Mississippi, and over four thousand acres of land are now flooded.

## PLAIN SPEAKING AT GENEVA.

NAVAL LIMITATIONS.

AMERICA'S ATTITUDE EXPLAINED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, April 22.

Mr. Hugh Gibson, United States delegate, in a speech before the Preparatory Disarmament Conference maintained the previous American standpoint that the simplest, fairest, and most practical method of naval limitation was by tonnage and by categories.

However, as some other delegations did not agree to America's modified thesis, the United States, in the hope of facilitating a general agreement was disposed to accept the French proposal as the basis of discussion, on the understanding that all quantitative tonnage and re-adjustment of tonnage, as among various categories, would be reserved for discussion at the Final Conference.

Meantime the United States was prepared to give full and friendly consideration to supplementary methods of limitation, realising that the "Essential thing is the achievement of substantial results, and that methods are of secondary importance."

Attitude Must Change.

Mr. Gibson added that he felt that effective limitation was impossible unless all classes of war vessels were included, moreover, genuine disarmament would only follow a changed attitude towards the use of force in settlement of disputes. Hence he appealed to delegates to examine the whole problem afresh, and seek that confidence which would enable them to dispense with armaments that had hitherto seemed so essential.

He was authorised to state that the United States were willing to agree to any reduction of naval tonnage, however drastic, which left no type of war vessel unrestricted.

Lord Cushtendun's Reply.

Lord Cushtendun, in reply, said he was struck with Mr. Gibson's friendly, conciliatory, and helpful spirit. Britain would endeavour to meet him in exactly the same spirit.

He considered Mr. Gibson's statement to be important, and it would affect the whole work of the Committee.

Britain absolutely agreed with him on the point of reduction of armaments.

The French thesis mentioned embodied a speech by M. Paul Boncour at the last session of the committee urging greater elasticity in the distribution of tonnage.

All Happy But Livinoff!

Mr. Gibson's and Lord Cushtendun's sentiments were cordially endorsed by Viscount Sato (Japan), M. Masagili (France), Signor Demarini (Italy), and Mr. Riddell (Canada).

Viscount Sato said that the Japanese Government was studying the division of Naval armaments into categories and he hoped to submit proposals later. M. Masagili declared that France was ready to examine the new American proposals in a spirit of compromise and conciliation.

M. Livinoff stated that Mr. Gibson had gratefully enumerated some of the Soviet principles, but his pessimism would not change unless the Committee's work followed concrete proposals.

The Chairman, Herr Louden, in winding up the discussions, was of opinion that the important declarations of to-day would impart fresh energy to the work of the Committee.

## TORNADO IN ARKANSAS.

THIRTEEN REPORTED DEAD.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas, April 22.

Thirteen people were killed and four injured in a tornado here. Most of the dead are negroes, but one white child had its back broken, and died.

Altogether there are 26 deaths as a result of the storms in Arkansas this week-end.

## TO-DAY'S BROADCASTING.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 350 METRES.

1.48 p.m.—Weather report.

5.30 to 6.30 p.m.—Programme of Chinese music. (Beka records supplied by The Canton Trading Association, Ltd.)

7 p.m.—An address to Englishmen by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, President of the Society of St. George, followed by telegrams of greeting received from kindred societies in various parts of the world.

7.48 p.m.—Evening weather report.

8 p.m.—A concert, relayed from the Lee Theatre given by the Society of St. George.

10.30 p.m.—Close down.

## DESERT REVEALS ITS SECRET.

AIRMAN'S TRAGIC END.

VAIN ATTEMPTS TO ESCAPE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SYDNEY, April 22.

Apparently it was only by the purest chance that Mr. Brain, the pilot of the plane Atlanta, found Lieut. Keith Anderson's plane Kookaburra.

The latter landed nearly 200 miles north of its direct course from Alice Springs to Wyndham. Brain passed over the spot solely because he happened to be on his course to Wave Hill, where he was going to join the search party, when smoke from a recent fire drew his attention.

Brain noticed a short runway was cleared near the Kookaburra, indicating that the airman had tried to resume their flight.

Sir aeroplanes are now intensively searching for the missing airman in the vicinity of the Kookaburra.

The Discovery.

Darwin, April 21.

Lieut. Keith Anderson's aeroplane was found in the Tanami desert by a searching aeroplane. One airman is dead and the other is missing.

The dead man has not yet been identified.

A packhorse patrol is hastening with relief supplies from Wavehill, 50 miles from where the aeroplane was found.

A later message says that the plane was apparently undamaged. It was lying on the edge of a



## LOCAL FOOTBALL.

## RECREIO v. R.A.

At King's Park yesterday this 1st Division League match resulted in a narrow victory for the visitors by the odd goal in three. Recreio were only able to field a weak side, and were further handicapped by playing a man short throughout, and under the circumstances did quite well in running the Gunners so close. Owing to a late start only 30 minutes was taken over each half. Leach started off by playing at left back for the Gunners, but soon moved up to the half back line, eventually taking his usual place at inside left. The Recreio forwards were decidedly smarter on the ball than their opponents, and on several occasions came within an ace of opening their account, but Parkes proved a very capable substitute for Fletcher in goal. After a period of very even exchanges the Gunners took the lead through Leach. Recreio kept up a smart series of attacks and just before half time Santos netted from Brown's centre. Half-time, Recreio 1; R.A. 1.

The Artillery goal had a narrow escape immediately the game was resumed; Santos hitting the upright. Beltrao brought off two fine saves from Cotton and Gill, while at the other end Oliver very nearly put through his own goal. Eventually Gill broke clean through the Recreio defence and ran on to score with ease. The same player missed an open goal from Jobe's centre just before the close of a moderate game.

Result, Recreio 1; R.A. 2.

The teams:—  
Recreio:—Beltrao, Sousa, Xavier, Marques, Antonio, Goncalves, C. Cosano, Roza, Pereira, Santos and Brown.  
R.A.:—Parkes, Oliver, Bacon, Ward, Gill, Joyce, Finn, Cotton, McDonagh, Leach and Jobe.

## TO-DAY'S GAME.

To-day on the Hong Kong F.C. ground. Hong Kong League: Division I.—Hong Kong F.C. v. China Athletic. Referee, Mr. F. Smith.

## UNITED SERVICES—JUNIOR SEMI-FINAL.

## R.A. v. K.O.S.B.

R.A. recorded a surprising victory over K.O.S.B. at Sockpoo yesterday when they managed to qualify for the final of the Services Cup by scoring the only goal of the game. At the commencement play was not too bright, and it was not until Crawley made a break-away and passed to Steyens in the Gunners goal area, that proceedings really opened up. The defences of both teams were in tip-top form and what shots were put to Lawrence and Shears respectively were capably disposed of. The half-time whistle blew with the score sheet clean.

On crossing over the game became more spirited and several fine individual efforts to obtain the lead were made. Lawrence destroyed repeated K.O.S.B. attacks, by his brilliant goal-keeping and was the star player of his team. Credit must also be given to Malby and Rawlings of the R.A., and also to the K.O.S.B. half-back line for their consistent good play throughout. In the last ten minutes of the game R.A. again got away and to the delight of their supporters, Watson netted. Having obtained the lead, R.A. concentrated on a defensive game, and although the Borderers strove hard for the equaliser the Gunners retired victorious.

Result, R.A. 1; K.O.S.B. 0.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## LOCAL FOOTBALL.

Sir,—I heartily endorse all that "Nuff Sed" has written about referees and harsh penalties imposed on players. There have been times when Chinese players have had their tempers put to the test by unfair awards which put a different aspect on the game, and the tide has been against them more than any other teams. Nevertheless they have maintained their sportsmanship and shown that they know football and can play the better game, in spite of what critics may say.

Thanking you for the liberty of inserting these few lines.—Yours, etc.,

## A PLAYER...

## GOLF.

## ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

## FANLING 20th AND 21st.

Play off for Captain's Cup April (with L. R. Andrewes) Major Beamish 96-10776 qualified.

## Bogey Pool.

T. C. Monaghan (14) ... 7 up  
Other scores:—  
Major Beamish (10) ... 1 up  
O. E. C. Martin (scr.) ... 1 down  
N. K. Littlejohn (13) ... 1 down  
Twenty-eight entries.

## LAWN TENNIS.

## MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE FORMED.

## SEASON'S FIXTURES.

That lawn tennis is becoming more popular in the Colony is evidenced by the formation of a Mixed Doubles League for the first time in the history of the game in the Colony. The competition is being organised by the Lawn Tennis Association and six teams have entered, viz., Ladies Recreation Club, Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Club de Recreio, University, Kowloon Cricket Club and Chinese Recreation Club.

For the competition, Messrs. Dunlop Rubber Co. have generously donated a Shield, to be competed for each year.

The list of fixture is as follows:—

June 5.—

Ladies R.C. v. Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

Recreio v. University.

Kowloon C.C. v. Chinese R.C.

June 12.—

Chinese R.C. v. Ladies R.C.

Kowloon B.G.C. v. University.

Recreio v. Kowloon C.C.

June 19.—

Ladies R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Kowloon B.G.C. v. Recreio.

University v. Chinese R.C.

June 26.—

Recreio v. Ladies R.C.

Chinese R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Kowloon C.C. v. University.

July 3.—

University v. Ladies R.C.

Kowloon B.G.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Chinese R.C. v. Recreio.

All matches have been arranged for Wednesday, and so no interference with the ordinary League matches need be feared.

## FAREWELL TO MR. T. L. WONG.

## A POPULAR LOCAL JOCKEY.

A farewell dinner was held last night in the Hong Kong Sports Club, N.Y.K. Building, in honour of Mr. T. L. Wong, the well-known local jockey, who is leaving for Shanghai.

Mr. H. S. Priestley presided, assisted by Mr. Ho Leung, the Vice-President. Mr. H. C. Lee, the energetic Secretary, also assisted in making a success of the evening.

Each guest was presented with a memento of the occasion in the form of a souvenir horseshoe.

"Rambler" and "Jay" were present, and their full report will appear in to-morrow's issue.

"Early Bird" arrived too late!—but although he missed most of the festivities, he was able to acknowledge the greetings of guests, and bid farewell on behalf of the *Daily Press* to Mr. Wong.

## BASEBALL SEASON OPENS.

## CHANCES OF TEAMS.

New York.—The professional league baseball season started on Tuesday, April 16. Interest centres in the possibility that the New York Yankees, champions of the American League and world champions for the past four seasons will be dethroned this summer.

The United Press published to-day the result of a vote it has taken among the leading baseball experts of the country, a majority of whom predict the Yankees will win the American League pennant and the world series again this year, barring accidents.

The heavy hitting of Babe Ruth, who has showed no signs of slowing up during the present training season, combined with their superior pitching staff, make the Yankees well nigh invincible. An accident to Ruth or to two or more of the Yankee pitchers might cause the whole team to go into a losing streak.

The National League.

Among the eight leading baseball experts of the country the consensus of opinion was that the American League teams will finish in this order in the first division:—

New York Yankees, Philadelphia Athletics, Chicago White Sox, St. Louis Browns.

In the National League, it was conceded, the race will be closer. Five of the experts chose the New York Giants to win the National League pennant, two chose the Brooklyn Dodgers, and one the St. Louis Cardinals. Both the Chicago Cubs and the Pittsburgh Pirates were conceded to have only a slight chance to finish in the first division.

The Boston Braves, on the basis of their present line-up, were conceded to be the poorest team in the older league.

There is great interest in the opening game of the American League in Washington where President Hoover and his entire Cabinet will see the Philadelphia Athletics play the Washington Senators.

President Hoover will pitch the first ball, officially opening the league season in the capital.

## RIDING SCHOOL FOR HONG KONG.

## INTERESTING MOVE BY THE SPORTS CLUB.

## TO TRAIN JOCKEYS LOCALLY.

Hong Kong is shortly to have its own riding school and arrangements are now being made to conduct a series of riding lessons during the summer at Happy Valley, when racing will be suspended for the four hottest months of the year.

The Sports Club, whose membership includes most of our local owners and gentlemen riders, has secured the service of Mr. A. J. P. Heard as riding master. Mr. Heard has been connected with racing in Hong Kong for many years and is as well-known in Shanghai and Kiangwan as he is here. Pupils training under him therefore, will unquestionably be in safe hands and likely to learn the game through and through.

The riding class will be available to members of the Sports Club. No fees will be charged for tuition but pupils are required to take the course from whatever point the Riding Master might decide upon, as soon as he is able to judge the riding ability of each individual pupil. Intending pupils will have to provide their own mounts.

To encourage novices Mr. "Eve," a prominent owner in Hong Kong and Shanghai, has donated a cup to be presented to the pupil who makes the best progress during the term. The cup will not necessarily be given to the best rider in the school, but will be for the pupil who shows the most improvement as a direct result of the lessons.

Mr. W. Fiddes Wilson, official starter of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, has agreed to act as Manager of the Sports Club Riding School.

Racegoers generally will approve of the action of the Sports Club and with more jockeys available, racing in Hong Kong, in future, should be much more interesting. Already the ponies kept here for the "Extra" season are of a high standard and with plenty of good jockeys available, the sport provided at the extra meetings, should be every bit as interesting as at the annual meetings, when a number of gentlemen riders from Shanghai are engaged by the bigger stables to ride for them.

## THE MUI FA DANCING PARTY.

## INGENUOUS YOUTH.

Nearly everyone will remember at some time in their early youth a little play which was given in the nursery, perhaps for the delectation of the kitchen staff, or perhaps as a "surprise" for their parents. They will remember how a scrap of material and a broken feather salvaged from the box room, became royal robes, a poker and a dish cover, sword and shield. How the magic of "let's pretend" made the whole performance go with a swing, which astonished the cast as much as it did the audience.

It is of one of those most satisfactory performances, that the show now being given by the Mui Fa Dancing Party in the Po Hing Theatre will remind you; and if you can recapture the spirit of youth—and have a head for Chinese music—you will enjoy its ingenuousness.

The company is a band of child "barnstormers," perhaps the eldest is not much over fourteen, who dance and sing with quite evident enjoyment and faith in their own powers. They are just as sure that they are giving you a real treat as you were when you produced "Beauty and the Beast" in the nursery. Perhaps they can sing, but one needs to be a judge of Chinese music to give a fair verdict—certainly they make an amazing amount of noise! It is very certainly not dance, but they are graceful little creatures and skip about the stage with beaming smiles. A couple of dollars probably buy their entire wardrobe, but to them their costumes are magnificent, daring, and exotic.

It is a refreshing little show with a peculiar charm for anyone who can travel mentally back through the years to their own nursery, but to visit it expecting polish and sophistication will bring disappointment.

## BABE RUTH STARTING EARLY.

## HOME-RUN HIT IN AN EXHIBITION GAME.

Brooklyn, April 13.—Babe Ruth started his 1929 home-run slugging to-day when he banged out a four base hit in an exhibition game between his team, the New York Yankees, champions of the world for the 1928 season, and the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Ruth scored a total of 52 home runs in the 1928 season, and has announced his intention to try to break his record this year. His record is 60 home runs in the 1927 league season, including the world series.

## JUNIOR TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.

## INTERESTING LECTURE BY PROF. BROWN.

## HOW IT MIGHT BE APPLIED IN HONG KONG.

An interesting lecture was delivered last night by Professor W. Brown at the Hong Kong University to the Educational Society, the subject being "Junior Technical Schools."

The lecturer said that he would treat the subject generally. Last year he paid a hurried trip to England for the purpose of making a study of junior technical schools and he found in London twenty-two such schools. One of them was known as the Beaufoy School and another had no special name but the pupils were taught the Building trade. In these schools boys were admitted at the age of thirteen and were required to stay not less than two years and not more than three years. During that time they were taught to do men's work and they did not play with models, but actually produced marketable specimens, which were sold.

Boys at that age, said the lecturer, were adolescent and were very brilliant. In the technical schools they were not only given a trade education but also taught general subjects such as history, geography, mathematics and English, but these subjects were, in some form or other, linked with their trade.

There was no fear, said the lecturer, of boys so trained finding it difficult to get employment, as a close study was made of the demand for craftsmen in different industries and as the demand slackened, so the boys were advised to take up other crafts. The schools kept in constant touch with employers, and the employers with the school, and there was always an understanding between the two bodies.

Need in Hong Kong.

The technical school, said the lecturer was a medium between a liberal and a vocational education and the need for such a school in Hong Kong was evident. He thought the Education Department in Hong Kong might, with profit, introduce one or two such schools.

He did not think it would be of assistance to the University, but it would surely help to raise the status of the artisan in the Colony.

The lecturer said that a liberal education had its drawbacks. He cited the case of Scotland, where qualified men, with great numbers, were taken in to have more schools of the vocational type.

In a discussion which followed the lecture, Professor Middleton Smith said he was all in favour of junior technical schools in Hong Kong and China. The University was producing the officers, but they needed non-commissioned officers—sergeants and corporals—to carry on the work in China. A regiment was not made up of officers only and he expressed the hope that everyone interested would do his best to bring into being the junior technical school system in Hong Kong.

## SHANGHAI ELECTRICITY DEPT. SALE.

## WALL STREET GREATLY INTERESTED.

New York, April 17.—Wall Street was profoundly interested to-day in Shanghai dispatches reporting the sale of the electricity department of the International Settlement to an international group headed by the American & Foreign Power Co. says the Dow Jones Financial news agency.

The Agency states that negotiations for the sale have been carefully watched by the big electrical and financial interests here, which consider the price paid, equivalent to about \$50,000,000, as not too high for the potential value of the property which is understood to include the entire power and light system of the International Settlement.

It is understood, the Agency says, that the property will be developed along lines agreed to by the international group which controls it. The purchase comprises the company's first property outside Central and South America.

The morning newspapers devote considerable space to the deal, indicating a belief that it will prove mutually profitable for the International Settlement and the purchasing group.

There are no reports here as yet of any re-financing scheme or any bond issue in connection with the purchase.—United Press.

## SHANGHAI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

## TRADE POSITION REVIEWED.

## NANKING AND ITS DIFFICULTIES.

## "THE CURSE OF TRADE IN CHINA."

Shanghai, April 19.—The 14th annual general meeting of the British Chamber of Commerce, took place last evening in the Shanghai Club. Mr. R. Calder Marshall presided. The chairman said:

Gentlemen:—During the greater part of 1928 conditions throughout the country, with the exception of Szechuan, where unrest is endemic, were on the whole quiet. Nominal if not actual unity under one government exercising control from Nanking was attained.

The difficulties of Nanking. We all knew the difficulties which faced the Nanking Government and we realize that the future welfare of China, and consequently the welfare of commerce, is dependent upon the establishment of a government that can and will exercise effective control.

Towards the end of last year, notwithstanding the efforts of Nanking to maintain a semblance of unity and peace, the continued disregard of its orders finally forced the Government to abandon its negative policy towards Wuhan and take positive action, and early this year civil war broke out between the Nanking Government and the Kungsi group in the Wuhan area.

Ability to Consolidate.

With the collapse of the Wuhan forces it would appear that a forward step has been taken in the direction of unity.

We do not wish to minimize in any way the work that has already been accomplished by the Nanking Government; but it must be emphasized that though statements have been made, and assurances given many of these reforms have not been carried out.

The policy of the British Government has been clearly expressed on several occasions; we want its continuance, provided that negotiations can be carried out with a government that represents the whole of China; that such government can give effective protection and that there shall be, no discrimination between foreigners and Chinese.

Thanks to Navy and Army.

"We have again to record appreciation of the quiet and unostentatious work of the Shanghai Defence Force under the able command of Lieut.-General Wardrop. At this point mention must be made of the discipline and behaviour of all ranks of the Shanghai Defence Force which has been exemplary.

To the Navy also our thanks are due. We all know what the Navy means to those who are 'up river'."

The New Tariff Treaty.

Last December a new Tariff Treaty was concluded. The new tariff has now become effective; but it is understood that the Minister of Finance desires to arrange a system of consolidated taxes which will lead to the abolition of *likin* and other taxes on goods in transit.

The curse to trade in China is not the authorized tariff levied honestly in accordance with a definite schedule, but the unauthorized ex taxes, or taxes levied on goods in contravention of the existing agreements, arbitrarily assessed and collected by officials, it is true, but officials who are more concerned about their own aggrandizement than the revenue of the country or the welfare of trade. They either do not realize, or, if they do realize, do not care, that their wanton milking of trade and commerce has a serious effect upon the economic welfare of the country, and by discouraging traders prevents that normal progress which would result were those political parasites prevented from making their illegitimate exactions.

It is those illegal exactions, too numerous to mention, which have engaged much of the time of your Committee, and it is to be hoped this matter may receive the attention it deserves at the hands of the Nationalist Government, which should realize that any such impediments to trade must react on the revenue of the country.

Though the foreign merchant does not pay these taxes directly, their imposition impedes and restricts trade.

We believe that the Nationalist Minister of Finance realizes the detrimental effect on trade of such taxes, and we trust that he will do his utmost to control them.

Provisional Court Severely Criticized.

The question of the Provisional Court was brought before the Chamber by the case of Judge Loo Hsing Yuan, whose resignation from the post of President of the Provisional Court of Shanghai was forced by political intrigue.

Cognisance of this case was taken by the Chamber because it so clearly refutes the statements and claims (Continued on next column).

## RUSSIAN DETACHMENT, S.V.C.

## A SPLENDID SHOWING.

## INSPECTION BY BRIGADIER BORRETT.

Shanghai, April 19.—The Russian Detachment S.V.C. was inspected yesterday morning by Brigadier O. C. Borrett, commanding Shanghai area, the detachment turning out a strength of nine officers and 207 other ranks.

The way their equipment was polished and cleaned was remarkable. Their boots were shining, their leather equipment was beautifully polished, the brass work was well-cleaned, and it was obvious that the greatest personal pride in their turnout is evinced by the whole unit.

## The Preliminary Stage.

When the brigadier and his staff arrived on the ground, they were greeted by a fanfare from the Russian trumpeters, and then the salute. The units remained at the present while the brigadier, accompanied by Major Thieme, Commander of the Detachment, rode round the ranks.

Major Thieme then marched his men past in column of companies. They went past extremely well, and their dressing was very good. The line created a very favourable impression on spectators. At the other end of the parade ground they marched off in sections, came round again and marched past in column of sections. Here again, the movements were well carried out, and the bearing of the sections as they went past was most creditable.

The unit then formed into line and gave an exhibition of British arms drill. It is understood that they have learned this entirely upon their own request, to conform with the other units of the Corps.

## Drill and Street Fighting.

After this drill was performed by half companies at a time. The first half company gave a demonstration of marching and formations. It was well done and the dressing was very good.

Then another half company gave a demonstration of physical exercises, very much on the same lines as British drill.

When this was over, the third half company gave a demonstration in what the Corps have been learning most assiduously this year, i.e. mob dispersal and street fighting. It was obvious here that the training had been most carefully carried out, and the determined advance of each line of men showed that they had been well taught and know what to do.

The last half company gave a demonstration in bayonet fighting. This was also extremely creditable, and a great deal of time must have been spent by the unit in learning this art.

After this the brigadier informed Major Thieme that he could dismiss the parade, and the men moved off the ground in column of route, singing one of their marching songs, a most impressive finale to a very good parade.

## KID CHOCOLATE WINS.

## ON FOUL FROM GRAHAM.

New York, April 13.—"Kid Chocolate" won on a foul from Bushy Graham, American, in the seventh round of their scheduled 10 round match here tonight.

The game little Cuban was winning easily in the early rounds and had the fight well in hand when Graham hit him in the groin in the seventh, causing the referee to stop the fight.

Chocolate wanted to continue despite the foul, declaring he could score a knockout despite his injury.

The battle was furious from the opening going. Graham floored Chocolate in the first round but the little negro was not much hurt and came back savagely, battering Graham around the ring with a whirlwind attack. Graham was knocked down in the seventh just before he fouled the Cuban.

made by the National Government regarding the "absolute independence of the judiciary and its freedom from political influence. Judge Loo was compelled to resign because he refused to subordinate his judicial position to the political machine, and refused to commit acts at the behest of the Government which would have been flagrantly illegal.

On Judge Loo's resignation his place was filled by an appointee of the National Government at Nanking.

The case of Judge Loo is of great importance in view of possible discussions in connection with the question of extraterritoriality.

The Provisional Court so far from being a model court, with an independent judiciary, administering impartial justice, can no longer be relied upon adequately to assist the police in the suppression of crime. The matter is serious not only as regards the International Settlement, but as regards the whole Chinese juridical system, which if it is ever to gain the confidence of foreigners must be independent of and entirely divorced from political interference.—*North China Daily News*.

## Telegrams in Brief.

Marselles.—An army airplane crashed on the roof of a house here. The pilot was killed and the machine completely destroyed.

Bologna.—People here were badly scared, when two earthquake shocks brought down a large number of chimneys, doing a good deal of damage and injuring many people.

Vienna.—The press is still greatly agitated over an incident at the international football match, when, after an Austrian victory by three goals to nil over Italy, the Austrian players complained about malicious kicking on the part of the Italians. The incident has also become the subject of a lively polemic in the Italian Press.

Stockholm.—The Press reports that King Fund of Egypt will visit Sweden on his pleasure yacht.

Charkov.—The Ukraine Soviets have decided to institute, in the district of Saporozhie, on the lower reaches of the Dniester, a new administrative district, with Yiddish as its official language. Of the population of this district, which totals 16,000, 73 per cent. are Jews, 24 per cent. Ukrainians, and 3 per cent. Germans. This will be the second administrative district of this sort in the Ukraine.

Washington.—The capital of the American banks has reached an amount never before attained. On December 31, 1928, the 7,636 banking firms in the United States had a capital of altogether 30,689 million dollars or two billions more than at the end of 1927. In 1898 there were in the United States 2,688 banks, with a capital of but 2,475 million dollars, whereas in 1906 banks numbered 8,998 with a capital of 7,764 million dollars, says a statement issued by the United States Treasury Department.

Rome.—The Grand Council of the Fascists has decided to create a new national council, which is to regulate relations between employers and employees. Mussolini will be president of the new council, which means a further restriction of what was so far left of liberty in this country.

Geneva.—Numerous reports reaching here from all sides show that an extraordinarily strong campaign is going on, in practically all European countries, with the sole exception of those with dictatorial regime, for the purpose of getting the fullest possible light thrown on the preparatory disarmament conference of the League of Nations, in order to strengthen the position of those who are out for real disarmament.

Madrid.—A Royal decree grants the authorities of the provincial universities the right to sit for the regular examinations. This concession is regarded as a conciliatory act on the part of the Government in closing the recent drastic action in closing the universities until October, 1930, on account of the anti-government disorders following the abortive revolt at Ciudad Real. It is even expected that the Government will shortly announce further similar alleviations, as it, apparently, fears that otherwise the big exhibition at Barcelona will prove a failure as far as foreign visitors are concerned.

London.—Every day in Britain in 1928, seventeen people met their deaths in the streets. Every day 450 were injured. This alarming leap in road casualties is revealed in a White Paper issued by the Home Office. The streets of the big cities remained the most dangerous, London having 1237 killed and 54,791 injured. Glasgow came next.

Vienna.—A touching scene occurred recently at a Hungarian cinema, where a Russian film was produced showing the late Emperor and Empress of Russia during a war-time visit to a St. Petersburg hospital. The spectators could clearly distinguish the faces of the murdered Royal couple and others. Suddenly a scream was heard, and a poorly dressed elderly man, in the first row of the cheap seats, collapsed. A doctor, who happened to be there, rendered first aid. When the man regained consciousness, he began to sob like a child. Afterwards it was learned that he was a Russian émigré, and had recognised himself on the screen. He had been the commandant of the hospital visited by the Emperor. When he saw himself again in the brilliant uniform of the Tsar's guards, he fainted with excitement. The man gave his name as Vassily Martynov.

Rome.—Italy's biggest submarine, displacing 1,800 tons, was successfully launched at the Talento dockyards.

Warsaw.—The press states that the Polish Government intends to ask the Council of the League of Nations to hold one of its next sessions in the Polish capital.

Athens.—Anxiety concerning the effects of the abnormal weather of the last winter upon the remaining portion of the famous Parthenon frieze has caused the Government to appoint a special commission, with the question whether the threatened slabs should be removed and replaced, even though the risks of such a procedure are fully realised.



# Money and Markets

## HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations at yesterday's local market for rice and other foodstuffs were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Hung Muk Keng	\$8.56
Hung Chih Lan	8.24
Green Seal, White Broken	6.22
Green Seal, No. 1 White	5.56
Black Seal, White Broken	3.36
Red Seal, White	7.43
Green Seal, Glutinous	7.31
Green Seal, Glutinous, Broken	8.43
Red Seal, No. 2 Broken	6.19
Black Seal, No. 2 Broken	6.12
Red Seal, Broken	3.35
Green Seal, Glutinous Broken	4.48
Red Seal, Glutinous granulated	6.07

Miscellaneous.	
No. 24 Coarse granulated sugar	7.55
No. 18 Coarse granulated sugar	7.03
No. 2 White edible bird's nest	2,030.00
Green Bean, Mantai	8.50
White Sesame	17.30
White Pepper	140.00
Green Tea	17.00
Aniseed	18.00
Peeled dried chestnut	11.50
Red Mison Seeds	23.30
Dried Mushroom, Mokeu	40.00

## RUBBER.

### LONDON STEADY: SET BACK IN NEW YORK.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co. have forwarded us the following letter, dated March 27th, received from Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk & Co., of Liverpool:—

The market has had a further setback during the past week, quotations being about 1d. per lb. lower as 1d. for Spot, 11d. for April/June 11d. for July/September, 11d. for October/December and 12d. for January/December (1930), buyers.

The selling movement started with offers from the East, due to our demand to pressure on the part of Banks who have been financing the dealers, and subsequently to the disturbed financial situation in America which has led to heavy selling in New York.

London has not shown the same weakness as New York; indeed the London market was much steadier yesterday with buyers of all deliveries. This is due to some extent to the fact that no offers were accepted in the East on Monday night and to some short covering in view of the approaching holidays.

Although the market is presenting a rather solid appearance, and, unless further offers are received from the East, we think that the market is due for an upward movement, which may be fairly rapid if the short position is as large as it is credited to be.

Estimates of shipments from Malaya in March vary from 42,000 to 43,000 tons.

Stocks: London, 27,056 tons (in crease of 1,214 tons); Liverpool, 4,231 tons (increase of 233 tons).

The Federal Reserve Board announced yesterday that the American output of automobiles was at a record rate in February and in the first half of March.

Our New York correspondents cabled that the undertone has improved. Considerable short covering is in evidence apparently in view of the holidays.

## PEACE AND THE WORLD'S TRADE.

### U.S. PLAN TO CO-OPERATE WITH INDUSTRY.

Baltimore, April 7:—Continued peace assures the steady growth of world trade, Mr. Robert Patterson (Senator), Secretary of Commerce in President Hoover's Cabinet, asserted in a speech here to-night.

Outlining the Administration's programme for co-operation with industry in the development of both domestic and foreign trade the Secretary of Commerce said that the promotion of peace throughout the world is a cardinal point in the President's policy.

Industrial expansion now taking place in the newer countries, and in those countries where industries, has heretofore been backward, will not hurt American industry and commerce, the Secretary asserted, declaring that in modern times the industries of all nations must go forward hand in hand and that mutual co-operation will prove more profitable in the long run than any attempt towards an imperialistic or monopolistic programme.

"The great manufacturing nations all are big customers of each other, and tend to become increasingly so," the Secretary said.

## CANTON TRADE NOTES.

The price of salt has gone up considerably in Toyshan district as a result of the heavy imposition of the tax farmers in that locality.

The market for soy bean and sweet bean is inactive while that for white beans and black beans is moderate. Green beans are steady.

The bankers in Sainam on the West River have recently abolished the tael currency and adopted the dollar system.

The demand for edible marine products is still short and the market has been inactive. Prices have dropped in spite of the fact that arrivals have been short.

The Silk Industry Bank organized by the silk merchants of Kwangtung will be opened on May 1. Up to the present, over \$150,000 has been collected from subscriptions.

Large amounts of coal were imported into Canton recently including 1,300 tons of Fushan coal from Dairen, 3,400 tons of Kaiping coal from Chinwangtao and over 1,000 tons of Japanese coal.

The price of pork has advanced by about seven taels per picul and it is being sold at about thirty-two taels per picul. This is said to be due to shortage of arrivals from the North, East and West River districts.

The linen cloth trade is doing exceptionally well this year owing to the boycott of Japanese goods. European linen cloth is also scarce and prices high. Piece goods shops, both wholesale and retail, are doing well.

According to a report from Wuchow, the money market there is still in a confused condition and the bankers and money exchangers have been suffering considerably. The market for cotton yarn is, however, doing fairly well.

There has been a big demand for Chinese abacus from the United States as the Americans have learned to use them and find that the system is simple and convenient. Many orders have been received from the Chinese merchants in the U.S. recently.

The Kwangsi authorities are organizing a branch of the National Home Goods Bank in Wuchow. A sum of \$200,000 will be subscribed by the Provincial Government of Kwangsi and the balance will be subscribed by the merchants and citizens.

Large quantities of medicines from Szechuan are annually imported into Kwangtung to the value of seven to eight million dollars. During the last few weeks, the arrivals have fallen short on account of difficulties caused by troop movements in Szechuan. A rise in the prices has resulted.

The soap industry has been doing well for several years in Canton and manufacturers make good profits. With the exception of varieties toilet soaps in daily use are manufactured locally. During the past few months, the number of soap factories has been considerably increased and there are now over forty in the city.

According to a cable, there is still a brisk demand for Chinese silk in New York in spite of the competition of the Japanese silk as the Chinese variety is of superior quality. During the last few days the amount of raw silk exported from Canton has amounted to over two hundred bales besides over four hundred bales of reeled silk.

The group of islands known as Sai Sha off the southern coast of Kwangtung are very rich in guano, and the Canton authorities recently sent a body of experts to carry out an investigation. It was estimated that the guano on these islands is worth over \$200,000,000. The Government has decided to invite tenders for working the supply.

The making of Chinese cloth shoes in Canton has been declining as people now prefer leather shoes. Fifteen years ago four to five thousand workers were engaged in this industry and over a million pairs of the shoes were exported for sale to the benefit of overseas Chinese. But at present the output has decreased and the number of workers at the trade is less than five hundred.

## N.D.L. BUYS NEPTUNE LINE.

Bremen, April 12:—It is learned that the North German Lloyd has acquired the majority of the shares of the well known steamship company Neptune, which owns tonnage totalling 54,000 tons and is mainly interested in the shipping trade to Sweden, Norway, France and the Rhine. The transaction considerably strengthens the tonnage and the position of the North German Lloyd in the shipping world.

## HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

### CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

APRIL 22, 1929.

H.K. Banks	\$1,230 sel. 1,332 sa.
Do, London	\$194 nom.
Chartered Banks	\$219 buy.
Mercantile Banks, A.B.	\$233 nom.
Do, O.	\$215 nom.
P. & O. Banks	\$291 nom.
East Asia Banks	\$394 nom.
Canton Insurance	\$373 sel.
Union Insurance	\$160 buy.
North China Ins.	\$150 nom.
Yonghe Insurance	\$220 sel.
China Underwriters	\$230 sel.
China Fire Insurance	\$230 buy.
H.K. Fire Ins.	\$74 buy.
Douglas	\$38 sel.
H.K. Steamboats	\$234 buy. 24 sel.
H.K. Tugs	\$240 nom.
Indo-China (Fre.)	\$47 buy.
Do, (Do.)	\$70 nom.
Shell Transport	\$92 nom.
Union Waterworks	\$22 nom.
Banquet	\$21 buy.
Kaitia Mining Admin.	\$66 nom.
Langtiao (combined)	\$14 nom.
Do, (single)	\$17 nom.
S'hai Explorations	\$230 sel.
Shanghai Loans	\$126 buy.
Rancho	\$65 nom.
Tonghai Mining	\$17 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	\$38 sel.
China Provident	\$415 buy.
Hongkong	\$178 buy.
New Engineering	\$14.50 buy.
Shanghai Docks	\$13.17 sel. 126 sa.
Ewo Cottons	\$11.13 nom.
Oriental Cottons	\$11.74 sel.
S'hai Cottons (old)	\$11.74 sel.
Do, (new)	\$11.33 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$370 sel.
H.K. Lands	\$61 buy. 61 sa.
Shanghai Lands	\$171 buy.
Humphreys Estates	\$1435 nom.
H.K. Realities	\$835 sel.
H.K. Tramways	\$118.30 sel.
Peak Tram (old)	\$124 buy.
Do, (new)	\$67 nom.
Star Ferries	\$13.38 buy. 13.45 sel. sa.
China Light	\$56 sel.
H.K. Electric	\$362 nom.
Macao Electric	\$362 nom.
Bandan Lights	\$21 sel.
Telephones	\$7 buy.
China Buses	\$14.13 buy.
Singapore Tractions	\$11.6 nom.
Do, (Fre.)	\$16 buy.
China Sugars	\$1 nom.
Malabar Sugars	\$27 buy.
Canton Loan	\$13 buy. 130 sel.
Cementa (combined)	\$24 buy. 3.60 sel.
Do, (old)	\$7.80 nom.
Do, (new)	\$14.40 buy.
H.K. Paper	\$7 sel.
United Asbestos	\$4 buy.
Dairy Farms	\$181 sel.
Watsons	\$12.20 nom.
Der A. Wings	\$80 sel. buy.
Lana Crawford	\$2 sel.
Mackintosh	\$18 sel.
Sinners	\$14 buy.
Wm. Fowells	\$3.65 nom.
H.K. Construction	\$1 sel.
H.K. Indus. G.Bonds	\$67 buy.
H.K. Govt. Loans	7 1/2 per cent. buy.
buy—buyers; sel—seller; sa—sales; nom—nominal.	

## EXCHANGE RATES.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rupee, April 23.

Paris	124.25
Brussels	34.95
Amsterdam	12.08
Berlin	20.47
Copenhagen	18.21
Vienna	34.50
Helsingfors	103
Lisbon	108
Bucharest	816
Buenos Aires	47 1/8
Shanghai	2/8
Yokohama	1/8 3/4
New York	48 1/2
Geneva	21 1/2
Milan	92 1/2
Stockholm	18 1/2
Oslo	164
Prague	33.02
Madrid	37 1/2
Athens	5 5/8
Rio	1/3 1/4
Bombay	1/11
Hong Kong	2 1/2
Silver, spot & forward	2 1/2

## NEW U.S. STEEL SYNDICATE.

### THIRD GREATEST MERGER PROPOSED.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 16:—The organization of a \$30,000,000 syndicate is developing and is believed to be initiating the country's third greatest steel corporation, it was learned to-day.

The syndicate is being organized to acquire steel stocks of various smaller corporations and is reported to be strengthening its holdings through its sponsors before attempting to effect a merger of the Youngstown sheet and tube company, the Inland Steel company and the Republic Iron and Steel company.

### Mr. Eaton's Part.

The dominating figure in the proposed merger is understood to be Mr. Cyrus Stephen Eaton, Nova Scotia born banker who long has been a leading figure in the industrial life of Cleveland. He came to the United States in 1900 and became a naturalized citizen in 1913. He has been a manager of public utility companies in Cleveland since 1906 and is chairman of the board of Trumbull Steel Co., and a director of many corporations. Mr. Eaton long has been an officer of the Republic Iron and (Continued at foot of next column).

## IMPORTS-PRICES CURRENT.

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### Metals.

IRON AND STEEL	
Steel Bars (round) 10 ft	\$4.70-4.80
" Angles	4.60
" Rods	5.20
" Joists	4.20
" Sheets 4' x 8' x 1/2"	8.10
(Market overstocked. Local price weak)	
Plates	5.06
Swedish Bars	per picul \$11.10
Small round rods	5.20-5.40
Hoops, black steel	7.70
galvanized	11.10
Tubes, black	7 1/2 per cent.
galvanized	84
Wire Nails, 11-8	per picul 7.70-8.20
Galvanized corrugated sheets, 34x26	per 100 lbs. 24.9 \$7.20
Galvanized flat sheets, 13x27, 13x27, 13x27	per 100 lbs. 26.0 \$8.20
Galvanized 3/8" x 2 1/2" x 7' p. picul	19.80
Galvanized wire 18/22	11.60
Galvanized wire 3' x 7'	(Japan wire) per picul —

### LEAD.

B.M. Spot ... 15.50-16.50

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English Yellow Metal

Sheet ... 62.00

Japan make 50 ozs. ... —

JAPAN COPPER

Sheet ... —

Tiles ... —

ZINC SHEETS, 5 x 4 ... 23.00

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English L.C.W., 20" x 14", 100 ... 8.50-9.00

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## OFFICIALS IN CONFLICT.

On the instructions of Feng Yu Hsiang, Tang Yuen Liang, Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs, has proceeded to Tsingtau to take over the administration of that area, but the Japanese Consul refuses to recognise his appointment pending instructions from his Minister, as Chiang Kai Shek has despatched Chen Chung Fu, ex-Provincial Treasurer of Anhwei, to take over the post.

## £80,000 PROFIT.

## LITIGATION OVER GLEN LINE STEAMER.

## GOVERNMENT'S "WINDFALL."

London.—Litigation was opened recently in the King's Bench Division, before Mr. Justice Rowlatt in a matter affecting compensation as between the Crown and the Glen Line, Ltd., and the Liverpool and London War Risks Association, the subject being a vessel belonging to the Glen Line which was interned during the war.

The vessel concerned was the Glenearn, and her tonnage, the Solicitor-General recalled, was 4,828 gross.

## Seized by Germans.

She was in Hamburg at the outbreak of war. She was seized by the German Government, and was not heard of again until handed back under the Armistice Treaty. The Crown reinsured from the respondent association up to 80 per cent. of the total insured value of £60,000. The Glen Line abandoned the vessel, and were paid £7,000 and interest, 80 per cent. of which was paid by the Crown.

"What is now ranking in the minds of the other side," continued the Solicitor-General, "is that unwisely the owners omitted to buy back the Glenearn after the war, because there was a dearth of shipping and the ship was sold for more than her insured value."

Mr. Wilfred Greene, K.C.—The Government made £30,000 out of the ship.

His Lordship.—That is the best thing I have heard for twelve months. I never thought the Government were capable of such a thing. (Laughter.)

## "Proud of It."

The Solicitor-General.—It is quite true the Crown has had the money, and we are proud of it. This is in the nature of a windfall. The Glen Line had been compensated by the German Government.

Further upon that point, the Solicitor-General said that the owners of the Glenearn were compensated by the German Government for the loss of earnings of the ship to the amount of £135,700, and the Crown now claimed a declaration that that money was received by the Glen Line as trustees for the Insurance Association, and that, as reinsurers, the Crown was entitled to 80 per cent. of it.

The Insurance Association itself had not made any claim against the Glen Line. The question was what was to become of the money. There was great laughter when Mr. Justice Rowlatt said: "It looks to me possible that my judgment may be that the money should be handed back to the German Government; it might well be that as 'one view of the matter.' The laughter was renewed, when the Solicitor-General exclaimed: "Oh, my Lord, do not let us contemplate any such dreadful possibility."

The hearing was adjourned.

## H.M.S. CARYSFORT'S RETURN.

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME ISSUED.

The provisional programme for the return of H.M.S. Carysfort from Hong Kong to the United Kingdom has now been issued. This shows that the cruiser will leave here on May 13, calling at Singapore, Colombo, Aden, Port Said, Malta and Gibraltar, and is due to arrive at Devonport on July 1.

The programme is contingent on the Yangtze rising sufficiently to enable the Carysfort to proceed to Hankow on the 26th inst., and provided that the programme of reliefs of the Yangtze gunboats is carried out.

## EUROPA DRYDOCKED IN HAMBURG.

## SEAWORTHINESS OF LINER NOT IMPAIRED BY FIRE.

Hamburg, April 16.—The big 4,600 tons North German Lloyd liner Europa, which three weeks ago suffered severely from a fire of unknown origin, was successfully raised and drydocked to-day in the presence of huge crowds of spectators, the ship having rested aground so far since the sea-cocks were opened during the fire in order to prevent the flames from destroying her lower parts.

In the meantime, it has been asserted that the damage suffered by the fire was much smaller than had been expected, only the upper decks amidships, with the first class cabins and saloons, being practically destroyed, while the forepart suffered a little, and the other parts, especially the machines, suffered no damage at all.

Investigations have further shown that the body and the sea-worthiness of the ship were in no way impaired. The ruined portion, including two funnels, has already been dismantled.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING.

## "SUMMER TIME" IN EUROPE.

London, April 22 (U.P.)—More than one hundred million people in five countries went to bed on Sunday night with expressions of satisfaction on their faces.

At 9 a.m. on Monday morning summer-time officially started in Great Britain, Northern Ireland, France, Belgium and Holland. At that time all clocks were to be put back an hour, but one hundred million people put them back when they went to bed, for they prefer to have the thrill of ensuring an hour's extra sleep, which is the reason for their satisfied looks.

Spain and Portugal had already put their clocks back. They did so on April 7. Other European countries, however, will not touch their time-pieces at all, for they do not observe summer-time.

Since clocks in Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, Austria and Scandinavia are one hour ahead of Greenwich mean time, the whole of Europe starting Monday, and for about six months, will rise and retire at the same time.

Daylight-saving is popular in Great Britain. The only people who have ever heard to grumble about it are the night-workers, and even they agree that it cuts both ways, for they gain an hour when winter time starts.

## KIDNAPPING IN SHANGHAI.

## MERCHANT AND HIS CAR DISAPPEAR.

Shanghai, April 19.—Mr. Woo Mai Kee, a retired dye merchant, was kidnapped about 9 p.m., yesterday, near Chekiang and Tientsin Roads corner, by four armed men, who drove their victim off in his own car, disappearing in the vicinity of Rue Lafayette, and Avenue Peking. The car has not been found.

The first intimation the Settlement police had of the affair was a message from the French police that the chauffeur had reported the kidnapping to them, and Louza station detectives, in whose territory the crime was perpetrated, brought him over for interrogation.

## A Gang of Four Ruffians.

According to the chauffeur's story, his master was visiting a house on Chekiang. The chauffeur parked his machine on an adjacent road until servants called him. He drove to the entrance and noticed nothing wrong, but as his master emerged from the door and was about to step into the car, four men with drawn pistols accosted him and ordered him to be quiet.

While two of them guarded his master in the body of the car, the other two forced the chauffeur into the front seat. One of them took the wheel, the other presenting a pistol to the chauffeur's stomach, and threatened death if he shouted. They drove off in a westerly direction, and perhaps from sheer bravado, passed by the entrance to Louza police station. From Burkill Road, according to the chauffeur's story, they drove along Yates Road to the French Consulate, where they ejected him, driving off on Avenue Peking away from the centre of the Consulate.

The chauffeur hailed a ricksha and informed the police, who continued their investigations throughout the night.—N.C. Daily News.

## MINE WAGE REGULATION PARLEY OPENS.

Essen, April 19.—Negotiations have opened here for a new regulation of wages in the German coal-mining industry.

The unions demand an extra pay of one mark per shift for all grades whilst the mine owners demand a 5 per cent. wage reduction.

Both parties base their respective claims on the difficult economic situation which is expected to be further aggravated during the next few months.

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## ITALIAN OPERA CO.

## TO-MORROW AT THE STAR.

A season of Grand Opera of unusually high standard will commence in Hong Kong to-morrow at 8.15 p.m. when Signor Carpi's Italian Grand Opera Company will appear at the Star Theatre.

Signor Carpi is well known throughout the East, having brought many grand opera companies this way, but it is safe to say that the present combination of artists is the strongest company which has yet visited Hong Kong. In all there are seventy-five artists including a full orchestra, chorus and ballet. Among the principals, the leading soloists include: Signoras J. Forrera (Lyric Soprano), M. Ersanilla (Coloratura Soprano), T. Agazzino (Mezzo Soprano), and Signors Frera (Dramatic Tenor), Adalberto Gioranone (Dramatic Tenor), F. Tumarello (Lyric Tenor) and Anteanore Reali (Baritone).

The opening piece will be "Il Trovatore," and will be followed by such other famous operas as "La Traviata," "Madame Butterfly," "La Tosca," "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "The Barber of Seville." Seats may now be booked in advance for any night of the season at either Moutrie's or the Star.

## STEEL SHIPS FOR U.S. PACIFIC COAST.

## FOR COMPETITION PURPOSES.

Washington, April 13.—The United States Shipping Board today announced that it is modernizing eight steel cargo ships of over 10,000 tons each which will be used by the American Pioneer Line. The vessels will be equipped with Diesel engines, and will be used in the New York-Australia service. In view of this fact, the Board said, that it has declined charters on the ships for Guy Sarsfield, Portland ship builder, and the Dollar interests, to use the ships for fast freight service between the Pacific Coast and Europe, in competition with British ship owners who now are carrying the bulk of American freight on the "Pacific Coast to Europe" run.

The Board said it has decided to sell eight of its laid-up ships to anyone desiring to advance money to equip them with Diesel engines capable of giving them a cruising speed of 14 knots.

## DOLLAR LINE AND PROHIBITION.

## LIQUOR NOT NECESSARY TO MEET COMPETITION.

New York, April 12.—Captain Robert Dollar, head of the Dollar steamship lines, to-day declared himself in favour of prohibition on American ships on the high seas. Commenting on the ruling which allows American vessels to serve alcoholic beverages while outside the territorial waters of the United States Captain Dollar declared:

"It is not necessary for American ships to sell liquor in order to compete successfully and profitably with the ships of other nations in the passenger trade."  
"Personally, I am opposed to liquor and I believe the sale of it on ships is more a question of opinion than of profit."  
"We have done so well without liquor that our competitors of foreign countries have accused us of hogging business. Our business without liquor now is good enough that we now are faced with the problem of getting more ships to take care of the passenger traffic available."

## LUENYI CARRYING TROOPS.

The s.s. Luenyi, flying the British flag, was at Anking on April 14 loaded with troops. The Rear-Admiral on the Yangtze has protested against her being allowed to fly the British flag. This ship is operated by the China Merchants S.N. Co., and owned by the firms of B. & S. and Jardine, Matheson & Co., jointly.

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TJISAROEK	SEAL & AMOY	2nd May	4th May	BATAVIA
TJILEBOET	DALNY, K'LUNG & AMOY	6th May	8th May	MANILA, M'KRAE & SOERABAYA
TJISONDARI	SEAL & AMOY	13th May	15th May	BATAVIA
TJIRINI	DALNY, K'LUNG & AMOY	20th May	22nd May	MANILA, M'KRAE & SOERABAYA

## NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJIMANOEK	JAVA, MAKASSAR	1st May	4th May	AMOI & N. CHINA
TJISONDARI	BATAVIA	1st May	3rd May	AMOI & SHAI.
TJIKEMBANG	BATAVIA	11th May	13th May	AMOI & SHAI.
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Hosang, Jardine's, Apr. 27.  
Anhui, B. & S., Apr. 28.  
Talamba, B.I., Apr. 28.  
Haiching, Douglas, Apr. 30.  
Shantung, B. & S., Apr. 30.  
Tijonodari, J.C.J.L., May 3.  
Tijmanock, J.C.J.L., May 4.  
Antung, B. & S., May 5.  
Kutsang, Jardine's, May 5.  
Talam, B.I., May 7.  
Suisang, Jardine's, May 11.  
Tjikembang, J.C.J.L., May 13.  
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Nagore, P. & O., May 4.  
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Kwangtung, B. & S., Apr. 25.  
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Van Heuts, J.C.J.L., Apr. 25.  
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## BOMBAY.

Alipore, P. & O., Apr. 25.  
Mantua, P. & O., Apr. 27.  
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 27.  
Hakodate Maru, N.Y.K., May 1.  
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 8.

## BOSTON.

Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 29.  
Oakbank, Bank, May 3.  
Pres. Van Buren, Dollar, May 5.  
Rhexenor, B.F., May 8.  
Royal Prince, Furness, May 10.  
City of Lille, Bank, May 10.  
Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.

## BREMEN.

Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 23.  
Coblenz, Melchers, May 4.  
Franken, Melchers, May 20.

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Duchessa d'Aosta, D'well's, May 1.  
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## CALCUTTA.

Tilawa, B.I., Apr. 27.  
Tokushima Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 29.  
Takliwa, B.I., May 5.  
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., May 8.  
Takada, B.I., May 9.  
Kumsang, Jardine's, May 10.  
Talamba, B.I., May 21.

## CEBU.

Golden Hind, States S.S., Apr. 27.  
Wisconsin, States S.S., May 3.

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Huichow, B. & S., Apr. 27.  
Kueichow, B. & S., May 9.

## COLOMBO.

Chenonceaux, M.M., Apr. 23.  
Alipore, P. & O., Apr. 25.  
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Apr. 27.  
Mantua, P. & O., Apr. 27.  
Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 28.  
Glenahiel, Jardine's, May 1.  
Duchessa d'Aosta, D'well's, May 1.  
Esquilino, D'well's, May 3.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 4.  
Coblenz, Melchers, May 4.  
Nagore, P. & O., May 4.  
Ruh, Jeben, May 4.  
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Athos II, M.M., May 7.  
Kidderpore, May 8.  
Toyooka Maru, N.Y.K., May 10.  
Kalyan, P. & O., May 11.  
Hector, B.F., May 15.  
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Pres. Hayes, Dollar, May 19.  
Franken, Melchers, May 20.

## COPENHAGEN.

Afrika, Manners, May 14.  
Nanking, Gilman's, May 15.  
Franken, Melchers, May 20.

## DALNY.

Luchow, B. & S., Apr. 28.  
Duisburg, Jeben, Apr. 29.  
Fulda, Melchers, May 7.  
Sauerland, Jeben, May 17.  
Main, Melchers, May 17.

## DUTCH PORTS.

Dessau, Melchers, Apr. 23.  
Menelaus, B.F., Apr. 23.  
Glenahiel, Jardine's, May 1.  
Coblenz, Melchers, May 4.  
Ruh, Jeben, May 4.  
Haruna Maru, N.Y.K., May 4.  
City of Delhi, Bank, May 3.  
Afrika, Manners, May 14.  
Hector, B.F., May 15.  
Nanking, Gilman's, May 15.  
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., May 18.  
Franken, Melchers, May 20.

## FOOCHOW.

Haiching, Douglas, Apr. 23.  
Luchow, B. & S., Apr. 28.  
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## GENOA.

Burgenland, Jeben, Apr. 23.  
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## GLASGOW.

Hector, B.F., May 15.

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Afrika, Manners, May 14.  
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## HAIIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Tean, B. & S., Apr. 24.  
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## HAYRE.

Afrika, Manners, May 14.

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## Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News, etc.

### YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 10,800 TONS;  
THROUGH CARGO  
41,700 TONS.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday the returns to the Harbour Office of cargo carried by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

Cargo for	Through
H.K.	Ports
British	
Kalgan, Bangkok 1,540	—
Haiching, Foochow 250	—
Yunnan, Wuhu —	2,000
Chengtu, Dalny —	1,600
Soochow, Canton —	300
Cheongshing, Tientsin 2,354	328
American	
Pres. Madison, Manila 324	1,687
German	
Burgeland, Japan 10	5,046
Dutch	
Olderkirk, Japan —	4,775
Norwegian	
Bestik, Samarinda —	2,284
Japanese	
Saikoh Maru, Rangoon 850	5,950
Harunasan Maru, Dairen 1,500	2,630
Kojun Maru, Dairen 2,060	—
Ganges Maru, Calcutta 110	5,458
Chifu Maru, Keelung 796	700
La Plata Maru, Japan 100	2,375
Nishimi Maru, Seattle 304	—
Lima Maru, Japan 2	6,024
Chinese	
Tak Hing, Macao 30	—
Total	10,800 41,700

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

Arr.	Dep.
British	7 4
German	1 0
American	1 1
Dutch	1 0
Danish	1 0
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### DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

TOO MANY PASSENGERS ON THE TAI FOOK SING.

The master of the Tai Fook Sing, Mr. H. Madson appeared before Comdr. G. F. Hole at the Marine Court yesterday for unlawfully arriving in the waters of the Colony with more than 12 passengers on board—an offence against the provisions of Ordinance 10 of 1899 Section 10 s.s. 2 and 21. Mr. Madson appeared for the defence, and the master of the ship, Mr. Horace Lo of Messrs. Lo & Lo, who appeared for the defence, said that he had instructions from the owners to load not guilty and asked for a formal remand. This was granted, the magistrate fixing the hearing for 10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 24 inst.

Man Overboard!

The master of the Hai Ching reports that on 20th inst. at about 7.40 p.m. when his ship was off Breaker Point in Lat. 22° 53' N.; Lon. 116° 31' E. a deck passenger was seen to jump overboard. He put the ship about immediately and a boat was lowered, but after cruising round for a considerable time he had to abandon the search, there being no trace whatever of the unfortunate man.

Unserviceable Cordite.

A Naval Armament Depot Notification states that a quantity of unserviceable cordite will be burnt at Stonecutters Rifle Range on Wednesday 24th inst.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived by the A.M.L. s.s. President Madison yesterday from Manila:—For Hong Kong: Mr. G. Assaumi, Mr. Ganesam Assaumi, Mr. Mariano Castillo, Miss Mae Chapin, Mr. Kotumal Choolarag, Mrs. J. V. Corderio, Mr. and Mrs. M. Cumiskey, Mr. Doodal Chandiram, Mr. J. E. Davies, Miss Teresa Forrija, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Gabbott, Mr. Mariano Goyena, Mr. Mariano Guierrez, Mr. T. Ikeda, Pros. Cistino Janina, Mr. S. G. Kirkland, Mr. Jose Bollar Layda, Sister Marie Linton, Mr. Gangoram Lokumal, Mr. Salvador Lozano, Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Mack, Prof. Mariano F. Manuquera, Major and Mrs. K. A. McLennan, Mr. Geo. V. Monk, Mr. Benito Morales, Mr. Horacio Morales, Mr. Karl W. V. Nix, Mr. Geo. O'Farrell, Mr. Chas. Oclussen, Mr. Arsenio Reyes, Mr. B. Reynoso, Mr. John Scholthorn, Mr. A. Sinfam, Mr. Otto Steger, Prof. Geromino Suva, Mr. Angel Tiongio, Mr. H. Villmar, Mother. St. Xaxier, Mr. Leonard Yates, Mr. James Young. For Shanghai: Master Philip Beck with, Col. A. S. Bump, Mrs. Leona A. Bump, Miss Rosa Errea, Miss Eva Garcia, Miss Paz Garcia, Miss Sally Lucas Jean, Miss Blanche de C. Keaveny, Major and Mrs. Patis, For Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Pearson, For Honolulu: Mrs. Ruth Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pittsair, For San Francisco: Mrs. Everett Beckwith, Miss Sue Beckwith, Mr. John Canson, Mr. U. L. Coble, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Frazer, Miss Anne B. Frazer, Mrs. Ruth H. Powell, Miss Ruth H. Powell, Comdr. R. K. Turner, Miss Lucie Zuercher. For Los Angeles: Rev. and Mrs. S. J. R. Ensign, Miss Evelyn W. Ensign, Mr. Bernard Lichtig, Mr. and Mrs. B. Patterson, Master R. J. Patterson.

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April 22.

Bestik, Norwegian str., 1,094 tons, Capt. J. Tellefsen, from Samarinda, Stonecutters Wharf.—J.C.J.L. Burgeland, German str., 4,021 tons, Capt. Karl Dehnicke, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1.—Jebson & Co.

Chengtu, British str., 1,338 tons, Capt. J. D. Whyte, from Swatow, buoy No. C13.—B. & S. Chile, Danish str., 5,218 tons, Capt. S. Kolls, from Shanghai, buoy No. A5.—John Manners.

Chifu Maru, Japanese str., 939 tons, Capt. S. Kinohita, from Keelung, Yaumati Wharf.—O.S.K. Cheongshing, British str., 1,238 tons, Capt. D. M. Burleigh, from Weihaiwei, buoy No. C33.—J. M. & Co.

Ganges Maru, Japanese str., 2,740 tons, Capt. Y. Okura, from Singapore, buoy No. A8.—O.S.K. G. G. Merhin, French str., 971 tons, Capt. Labanere, from Swatow, buoy B5.—Yuen Seng Fat.

Kojun Maru, Japanese str., 1,303 tons, Capt. Y. Nishimoto, from Cheloo, buoy C45.—M.B.K. La Plata Maru, Japanese str., 7,283 tons, Capt. T. Ichinawa, from Kobe, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. K. Nagayama, from Canton, buoy No. C14.—N.Y.K. Lyemooon, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoibow, buoy No. A28.—Wo Fat Sing.

Mishima Maru, Japanese str., 4,915 tons, Capt. H. Takahashi, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K. Oldekerk, Dutch str., 4,567 tons, Capt. A. L. Leijes, from Shanghai, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.

Pres. Madison, American str., 8,341 tons, Capt. Thos. Johnson, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf.—Roberts & Co.

President Pierce, American str., 8,393 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from San Francisco, Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Shinyo Maru, Japanese str., 6,376 tons, Capt. J. Tsuji, from Shanghai, buoy No. A3.—N.Y.K. Soochow, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. C. H. Jones, from Canton, buoy No. B6.—B. & S.

Tjikarang, Dutch str., 6,064 tons, Capt. P. Hopman, from Amoy, buoy No. A27.—J.C.J.L. Wing Wo, Chinese str., 923 tons, Capt. I. Lemos, from K. C. Wan, Saikong Wharf.—Chup Yick.

### CLEARANCES.

April 22.

Anking, for Singapore. Bestik, for Whampoa. Burgeland, for Manila. Canton, for Haiphong. Chengtu, for Whampoa. Chile, for Singapore. Doris, for Saigon. Ganges Maru, for Meiji. Halvard, for Hoibow. Harunasan Maru, for Whampoa. Hydra 2, for Hongay. Hydrangas, for Swatow. Kuramasan Maru, for Keelung. Lushan Maru, for Swatow. Oldekerk, for Manila. Pres. Madison, for Shanghai. Saikoh Maru, for Keelung. Svale, for Singapore. Tonkin, for K. C. Wan.

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